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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1 to 26

Part B for March 1917

SUBJECT.

Amendment of the Rules under the Game and Fish Preservation Regulation

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To The Conservator of Forest in Mysore
" Magistrates of Districts
" Revenue Commissioner
" Comptroller Govt.

No J 3405-15-

States that Government consider desirable to amend the Rules 18 under the Game and Fish Pr Regn

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28.6.1917 Mysore

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NOTES.

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FILE HEADING.

Amendment of the Game Regulation and Rules thereunder

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1)

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(Landlords) ... application ...
Pilkington for grant of land ...
~~Coffee~~ Coffee Cultivation ...
the reservation of ~~...~~ the ...
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Caused by pigs and ...
The Malnad ryot suffers ...
heavily from the ravages ...
pigs and wild animals ...
the restriction imposed on ...
waging war against the ...
by the Forest-Rules and ...
same reservation land ...
are a crying evil which ...
in Course of time is likely ...
to lead to serious discontent

2) Secretary's remarks thereon

"Pigs are not game, if I ...
"am mistaken, and wanton ...
"though protected Can be ...
"if they do damage to ...
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1 To the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore
No. J 243 & 15/7/07

Requests him to state definitely the provisions of the rule or regulations which are said to operate severely on the Malnad ryots

2 From the same No. C. 148 & 22/10/07.

Assigns reasons for his opinion that the Malnad ryots are in need of some protection against the devastations of their crops to be by wild animals.

6) The following are said to operate harshly on the Malnad ryots:—

1) Sec 12 of the Game & Fish Preservation Regulation II of 1901.

2) The reservation of Forest Reserves.

3) The prohibitive fee required to be paid for taking out game licenses viz Rs 10.

4) The prohibition of the destruction of game (other than bears and feathered game) in the close season i.e during the five months between the 15th June and 15th November? [October].

5) Rule 1 of the Rules published under the Game Regulation giving absolute protection to monkeys and parrots.

(6)

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3. The necessity for taking out licenses for the killing of wild male elephants on Government waste or ~~forest~~ forest lands and the provisions of Act I of 1893.

a) As regards (1), the Revenue Commissioner says that the section has been framed with the intention of giving some relief to the ryots, but that it has become inoperative by the fact that it has come to be construed to mean that an owner or occupier of land can kill, capture or pursue game which actually doing damage and not otherwise. He adds that ryots can hardly be expected to watch their fields during all the night for the purpose of detecting any game straying therein and then to pursue them; that they might be enabled to prevent the trespass of these animals by scaring and driving them away from the neighbouring thickets and to follow them wherever they may go during the day and kill them and that section 12 may be amended accordingly.

(2). As regards (2) it is stated that the boundaries of reserved lands and forests have in some instances come very close to cultivated lands; that ~~these afford~~ these while more affording shelter to wild animals

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the ryots are prevented from entering them for killing or driving away these animals.

3) Regarding this, it is stated that the fee fixed is felt to be too high and prohibitive by most of the ryots and that they are thus unable to avail themselves of the benefit of the rule.

4) The Revenue Officers in this connection the opinion of the Collector that by this increase not only will the same increase but also wild animals such as tigers & cheetahs who depend on them for their prey and that this will lead not only to the destruction of crops but also to the loss of agricultural stock and human life also.

5) It is stated that by the protection afforded to monkeys by the Hindu religion the native farmers have been put to much loss owing to their mischievous tendencies. This is not correct as monkeys may be killed when they damage crops.

The Revenue Officers also visited the Cardamom plantation which he had with Mr Pilkington who seems to be of opinion that wild pigs do have become a nuisance in the Malnad, that considerable damages have been caused to the plantations by these

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devastations and that some provision must be made in the Game Regulations to prevent them. He suggests that Villagers might be allowed to beat for them among certain days as would do as to prevent their multiplying and causing damage to Cultivation. It may be stated that pigs are not game and they might be killed whenever they may go.

The subject of the reduction of the fee for game licenses had come before the last meeting of the Representative Assembly when it was decided to reduce the fee to Rs 2/- or so. Perhaps this may now be considered. But there is the opinion of the officer in charge of the Game Reserves that the fee should be enhanced (vide the letter entered below), who has also recommended that the Rules may be amended in several other directions. This may also perhaps be considered in this Connection.

3 Letter No. 3670 of the 23rd Oct 1907 from the Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

Forwards for the orders of Government certain proposals made by the officer in charge of the Game Reserves for the amendment of the Game Rules with his remarks thereon

(1) The following are the amendments proposed and the remarks of the Conservator

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Between:

1). The fixing of the maximum number of antelope that may be killed by the license holders in the several districts by the addition of a sentence to Clause 2 of Rule 3. This is approved by the Conservator

2). Authorizing the Conservator to close absolutely to hunting tracts reserved for any species of game the retention of which is feared or where protection is necessary for conservancy purposes or where the pattas should be resumed as a game preserve

The Conservator would have the power reserved to him

3). Enhancement of license fees.

This is opposed by the Conservator as well as by the Revenue Commissr.

4) The prevention of the owner or occupier of land from ~~preserving~~ or killing game between sunrise and sunset.

The Conservator and Revenue Commissr are against this, and the latter says as has been seen would give much satisfaction to ryots.

5). Exempting certain classes of Govt servants from taking out licenses

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This is recommended by the Conservator of Forests and is said to be in accordance with the practice in B. India.

f) The addition of a Rule as to affixing the maximum number of game of certain species that can be killed in one Calendar year and requiring license holders to ~~take with them~~ give in this before they enter forests and to take with them a forest guard or game watcher or peyaad during the time they are within forest lands. The appointment of game watchers has already been refused.

The Rev Commr has already brought to notice the troubles to which the right holding lands near state forests are put to in pursuing game damaging their crops. The ~~rule~~ will create additional room for complaint. The Conservator has himself stated that this is in accordance with the practice in B. India

g) Addition of rule, also B. — requiring holders of licenses to keep account of game killed. The Conservator has approved of this

h) Addition of Rule as to C - requiring holders of licenses for the protection of crop and self defence not to set up ~~of~~ any water or salt licks for the purpose of shooting any animal other than Carnivora

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9) Requiring holders of licenses to Camp in forests only on grounds set apart for the purpose ~~specially~~.

10) Requiring the license holders to deliver up the same at the end of the Calendar year with an account of game killed &c, ~~by the additions &c~~ to the Authority issued the same or to any Forest or Police officer, ~~by the~~ an addition being made to this effect in rule 12.

Perhaps the reference may now be forwarded to the Revenue & and he may be requested to favour us with his opinion thereon ~~and the amendments proposed all considered together~~. and also the reference of the Revenue may be forwarded to the Conservator for favour of an expression of his opinion thereon. and the amendments proposed all considered together.

9)

The points for consideration are:-

1) whether Sec 12 of the Game Regulation requires any amendment in the interests of the rysts and if so how it should be amended.

2). Whether the ryots should be allowed to possess game in State forests:

3). Whether the fees for game licences require any reduction. This has ~~almost~~ been decided in the affirmative in the Representative Assembly.

4). Whether the close season as regards par

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other than hare or feathered game shall be removed - The game & fish they Associal might take objection and as such will have to be consulted.

5). whether rule 1 of the game rule requires any amendment.

The question whether the proviso to the rule amply protects the ryots

6). whether any further protection than that afforded by Act I of 1893 should be given to ryots as regards wild elephants.

Sec 6 of the Act allows the destruction of wild elephants male or female on private lands doing damage to crops.

and) whether any and what amendments proposed by the officer in charge of the game Reserve should be considered in this connection submit for orders.

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The suggestions of the Revn Comr: are:—

(1) Sec 12 of the Regulation should be amended so as to enable ryots for the protection of their crops to follow animals causing damage to them to thickets or other places of shelter in the neighbourhood, during the day

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to kill them or otherwise scare and drive them away -

(2) The reduction of the license-fee - (This has been ordered -)

(3) The removal of the prohibition ~~of~~ now existing ~~from~~ against the destruction of game other than bears and feathered game, in the close season between the 15th June and the 15th Nov :-

(4) The removal of the prohibition for the killing of monkeys one provision has been made enabling owners of lands to pursue, capture and kill monkeys ~~&~~ causing damage to the crop thereon -)

(5) The amendment of the provisions as regards elephants so as to afford greater relief to ryots from their depradations -

(6) Permitting villagers to beat for wild pigs and other animals which destroy crops, on certain days in the week, so as to prevent their multiplying and causing damage to cultivation

11) Please put up drafts of the Rev: Comr and the Conservator as

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suggested. The attention of the Rev. Comr. may also be invited to the existing provisions with regard to some of the suggestions made by him.

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12) Legve 26/11 Draft submitted for approval.

26/11/07 13) Issue and submit for sign. to the Secy. 27-11-07 [illegible]

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14) Issued and Subd to Secretary.

SR 6-12-07 Secretary's letter

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4 To the Rev. Commr. No. J 1695 dated 2.12.07.

Forwards a copy of the amendments proposed by the Officer in charge of the Game Preserves for amending the Game Rules & the remarks of the Conservator of Forests thereon and requests his opinion on the same. Also states that the Game license fee is already reduced to Rs. 2; that the proviso to Rule 1 of the Game Rules allows the killing of monkeys & parrots doing damage to the crops & that pigs may also be killed as they do not come under the word "Game."

5 To the Conservator of Forests J 1696 dated 2/12/07.

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	Forwards letter No. C 148 dated the 22nd Oct 07 from the Rev. Commr & requests his opinion on the several points raised in that letter and particularly some suggestions made by the Revenue Commissioner.
6	From the Conservator of Forests in Mysore no: 5688 & 6.1.08 forwards his opinion in the above matter.
7	From the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore no: 9954 & 16.3.1908 states that in his opinion the proposed amendments do not touch many of the objections raised by him in Serial no: 2 above.
15)	The following table shows the several amendments proposed with the names of the proposer and the opinions of the officers consulted in the matter.

Amendment proposed	Proposer	Opinion received	Officer giving that opinion	Remarks
1. Sec 12 of the same Regulation should be amended so as to enable ryots for the protection of crops to follow animals causing damage to them to thickets or other places of shelter in the neighbourhood during the day and to kill them or otherwise scare them and drive them away.	Revenue Commr Mr. A. Rangaswami Gowda.	The wording of the section seems to be perfectly clear & leaves no room for misconception. The killing or wounding of animals doing damage to crops is not limited to lands on which they are found doing damage. The owner can pursue them & in their pursuit can enter thickets or other places of shelter even State Forests in the neighbourhood	Conservator of Forests.	

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Amendment proposed	Serial No.	Name of the Province.	Nature of the amendment proposed	Name of the Officer who gives the opinion	Remarks
			What is wanted is a clear exposition of the word "pursuing". This may be done by limiting the area of pursuit to quarter of a mile from the field, the permission being extended to State Forests from 1st June to 15th Feby.		
2) Reduction of license fee.		Bengal.			The question of reduction of fees for V. in favour of agriculturists is under consideration
3) Relaxation of the close season for the benefit of the ryots.		Do. The prohibition now existing against the destruction of game other than hares & feathered game during the close season should be removed.	No amendment of Rule 6 in this respect seems called for. Pigs may be killed whenever they may be found. and Sambhar which is the most destructive cannot be killed without a license.	Conservator of Forests	
4) The removal of prohibition against killing monkeys.		Bengal			The Govt. of India's attention has been invited to the proviso to Rule 1 allowing owners & occupiers of lands to kill monkeys & parrots doing damage to crops & to fruits & other crops
5) Amendment of the provision of Act I of 1873 so as to afford greater relief to ryots from the depredations of wild elephants.		Do.	The power now given to ryots to shoot wild elephants found in their cultivated lands is sufficient. To permit them to shoot elsewhere would lead to the slaughter of this useful animal for its tusk.	Conservator of Forests	
6) Permission should be granted to villagers to beat for wild pigs & other animals which destroy crops on certain days in the week. So as to prevent their multiplying & causing damage to cultivation.		Do	Permission to beat for such animals other than pigs may be granted only to holders of game licenses as otherwise the object of the Act will be defeated. As pigs may be shot any where especially	Do	Bengal. This should be made clear by a notification under the Rules

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			State forests: where they may be permitted to be shot between 1st June & 15th Sept. after giving a week's previous notice to the Forest-Range Officer.	
7) The fixing of the maximum number of antelope that may be killed by license holders in the several districts by the addition of a sentence to Clause 2 of Rule 3.	Officer in Charge of the Game Reserves		(This may be done. But the wording requires to be Modified)	Conservator of Forests.
8) Changing of Clause (d) of Rule 6 (2) and insertion of the following:- "Any mature male Sambhar or spotted deer, if it is hornless or its horns are in velvet."	do		It is usual not to shoot such animals.	do
9) Authorizing the Conservator to close absolutely to for taunting &c in any reserved forest any species of game the extinction of which is feared or whose protection is necessary for conservancy or where the portion should be reserved for a game Preserve.	do		The power should be reserved to Govt.	
9) Enhancement of license fees.	do		This should be reduced.	Revenue & Conservator	The question under consideration
11) The prevention of the owner or occupier of land from pursuing or killing game between sunrise & sunset by addition of rule to 9 as Rule 9 A.	do		He must be allowed to pursue wounded game	Conservator
12) Insertion of an explanation to Rule 9, so as to exempt certain classes of Govt servants from taking out a license to stalk or track game in forests open for shooting - (may)	do		This rules has been proposed in accordance with the practice obtaining in B. India. I strongly recommend the exemption	

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8). The addition of a Rule as to A- fixing the maximum number of game of certain species that can be killed in one calendar year & requiring license holders to give notice before they enter forests and to take with them on payment a forest guard or game watcher during the time they are in forest or forest-lands-	Officer in charge of the Game Reserve	This is a necessary provision. In some of the British Provinces sportsmen have to take a guard with them always keeping him	Particularly	
		I don't think that the Chiefs whose rights are affected by the depredation of wild animals have the capacity to understand the [illegible] of the following provisions		
9). Addition of a rule as to B- requiring license holders to keep account of game killed.	Do	I approve-	Do	
10) Do . . to C- requiring holders of license for protection of crops & self-defence over water or salt-licks to shooting any animal other than carnivora	Do	Do	Do	
11) Do . . to D- requiring holders of such license to camp in forests only on grounds set apart or as may be pointed out.	Do	Do	Do	
12) Provision to be made in Rule 12 for license holders delivering up their licenses at the end of the Calendar year with an account of game killed to the authorities concerned or to any forest or police officer.	Do	may be approved with the change proposed	Do	
Insertion of the words "and the account of game killed by them" between the words "same" and "when" in line 2 of Rule 12 and insertion of "game watchers" after forest guards in line 3 of Rule 11.	Do	I approve-		

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(16) In conclusion the Deputy Commissioner says that the Game Regulation and the revised rules proposed may suit men in search of game as a ~~pastime~~ pastime, and may protect forests interests and growth of game. But are wholly inadequate for the protection of the interests of the ryots, and their crops & will handicap agriculture, specially in Malnad. He says that even forest Conservators must be subordinated to this interest and the ryots should not be curtailed of their right to pursue wild animals escaping from his fields. With this view he ~~does~~ suggests the preparation of a list of large, influential and leading ryots in Malnad, ~~who~~ ~~be made and~~ they and their servants ~~may~~ be exempted from the operation of the Game Preservation Regulation, so that they may be permitted to pursue & kill wild animals within a radius to be specified with a license & without the permission of forest officers, subject to their reporting the particulars of animals destroyed by them & the scheme being extended later on if experience warrants it.

17) The suggestions of the Conservator would seem to meet the requirements

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of the Case and the Game and Fish Reservation Regulation does not seem to have power to grant exemption from the operation of the Regulation.

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18) These are proposals for the amendment of the Fish & Game Preservation Regulation of 1901 & the Rules framed thereunder from two different quarters — from the Rev. Comr & from the Conservator of Forests. The Rev. Comr is of opinion that the Regn & the rules impose great hardships on agriculturists & his suggestions tend towards relaxing the rigidity of the Rules. The Conservator's proposals on the ~~hand~~ other hand are directed towards imposing greater restrictions on game licensees While there is a great deal of truth in the Rev. Comr's remarks concerning the hardship caused by the Regn and the rules, most of the particular points he urges are based upon a narrow interpretation put upon the Regn & on some points orders have been issued favourably

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The combined effect of the Arms Act Regn + the Game Preservation Regn is no doubt somewhat hard on the agriculturist who sees his crops destroyed occasionally by the ravages of wild animals. But both the Regns + the rules provide ~~for cases~~ that protection to game does not extend to cases where damage is done to crops on the land. The Rev Comr suggests that the ~~protection~~ wording may be made more explicit + comprehensive. The suggestions of the Rev. Comr. + the Conservator may now be considered seriatim

Rev. Comr. 1. Reduction of fees This has been already ordered in the rules

2. Taking away the prohibition against killing of monkeys + parrots. Proviso to rule 2 provides for this

3. Destruction of pigs Pigs are not game

4. Amendment of Section 12 of the Regn This point is the essence of the Rev Comr's suggestions. He states that the interpretation put upon this section is that wild animals could be killed etc only while actually doing

(19) Under the orders recently passed reducing fees for licenses in the Malnad, facilities are also given for the pursuit of game in State + forests.

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damage but not otherwise. On the interpretation, he points out, justly enough that it is almost impossible to detect them while actually doing damage to the Crops. The wording of this section, if not its objects, seems to lend itself to such interpretation; and, so to make the meaning clear, the following words may be inserted in the section after the word "thereon" "or pursuing or scaring away game likely to do damage to the Crop, from neighbouring thickets or shelter". If so amended, the section will give power to agriculturists to drive away all game from which they apprehend mischief.

5. Amendment of Elephant Preservation Act. The power given to shoot the animals found in the land seems sufficient

6. Relaxation of the close season. The ~~proviso~~ power provided for in Section 12 seems sufficient

20) The proposals of the Game Fees forwarded by the Conservator have for their object the imposition of greater restrictions on the holder

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of a game license. If it is true, as the Rev. Conr. asserts, that, as it is, rygts are put to a great deal of hardships, it follows that the Game officer's main suggestions will make matters worse, so far as the rygts who do not hold game licenses for sporting purposes are concerned. Moreover, in the absence of any special reasons which require that the rules should be amended, it is difficult to note on the necessity for the same. The Game officer does not give any reason for the proposed amendments & the Conservator contents himself with an expression of approval or disapproval as the case may be. The suggestions may be considered, in order

1. The restriction may about the maximum no. of antelopes may be adopted.

2. not necessary (vide Conservator's opinion)

3. The power may be reserved to Govt. as suggested by the Conservator

5. Not necessary

6 The proposed rule would be a grea

clause 6(2) provides

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hardship + it need not be adopted.

7. The proposed Exception to Rule 9 may be adopted.

8+9 Not necessary

Rules Nos. 10 to 13 which are approved of by the Conservator, though they may suit Sporting men, are quite unsuitable as the Rev. Comr. points out, to the ryots holding licenses for the protection of their crops. No case has been made out by the Conservator regarding the need for such restrictions. The proposed rules need not be adopted.

15+16 The meaning of the amendment of Rule 12 is not clear. When a Magte calls upon a party to produce the license, the proposed addition requires him to deliver it to some body else.

21) If ordered necessary, the proposals of the Game Officer may be sent to the Magistrates for opinion (under sec 4)

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22) The proposals of the Rev. Comm & those of the Game Preserves officer are independent of each other & proceed on different bases and are to some extent opposed to each other

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23) The Rev. Commrs suggestions ~~lead~~ are intended to protect the raiyats' crop against the depredation of game & other animals, while the Game Preserves Officer's suggestions are meant to protect game animals.

26) So far as the Rev. Commrs proposals are concerned, under the amendments of the game rules made recently by notn J. 498-Legs 18-07-2 dy 13/8/08, ~~cent~~ the ~~rate~~ fee for game licenses have been reduced to 2 Rs in the case of landholders in the malnad & the license extends over state forests & other lands in the vicinity. Raiyats who take out such licenses will then be able to protect their crops to a large extent, and the effects of this concession may perhaps be watched before the rules are further relaxed.

25) Section 12 of the Regn may also be amended as suggested by the Rev Commr to make the meaning more clear & to allow raiyats to scare away game from thickets &c close to their lands.

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26) This would be especially useful in the close season which extends over several months during which the license will not permit them to shoot same animals in state forests.

27) This will involve an amendment of the law.

Turning next to the proposals of the Game Preserves officer it has to be observed that the necessity for these changes have not been pointed out.

28) 1. It is understood that Antelope have increased to a certain extent under the qualified protection given to them but it is not clear why the Game Preserve officer proposes to limit the total maximum number to be shot in each District. The present rules fix limit of 2 to each licensee

2. This may be adopted as such animals are not usually shot

4. The Regulation [Sec 6 clause (2)] provides for this no amendment of the rules necessary.

5. Necessity to enhance the fee has not been made out

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6. This is a most absurd suggestion & will, if adopted, ruin the ryots & must be rejected.

7. May be adopted but the necessity is not very clear

8 & 9. Not necessary.

10. May perhaps be adopted in the case of sportsmen licensees but not in the case of raiyats who take out licenses under the new rules.

11. May be adopted

12. May be adopted in the case of licensees except raiyats who take out licenses under the new rules.

13. Same remarks as 12.

14. May be adopted

15. May be adopted

11 A separate sentence may be added - "The license together with the account of game killed should be delivered up at the end of the calendar year for which the license ~~is~~ granted, to the authority empowered to grant the license, to the nearest Magistrate, a Forest officer of rank not less than a Ranger or a Police officer of or above the rank of Inspector

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Revenue Commissioner's suggestions.

(1) Amendment of Section 12 of the Game Regulation.

The wording of the section as it now stands is generally construed to mean that no raiyat can kill, capture or pursue game except when it is actually doing damage. They should be allowed to scare ~~away~~ or drive away animals from thickets in the neighbourhood. The section should be amended accordingly.

Conservator of Forests.

The section is clear. What is wanted is a clear exposition of the word "pursuing" and to remove misapprehensions and abuses he would limit the area of pursuit to ¼ mile from the field (including State Forests between 1st June and 15th January)

Mr. S.P.Rajagopalachar.

To make the meaning clear, the following words may be inserted after "thereon", viz., "or pursuing or scaring away game likely to do damage to the crop from neighbouring thickets or shelter."

Mr. C.S.Balasundaram Iyer.

The section may be amended to allow raiyats to scare away game from thickets,&c close to their lands. This would be especially ~~by~~ useful in close season which extends to several months and during which the license will not permit them to shoot in State Forests.

(2) Expansion of Reserves has added to the difficulties of the raiyats who are prevented from

necessary. Pigs are not game and may be shot without a game license. For other animals, game license should be insisted upon, otherwise, object of Game Regulation will be frustrated. defeated.

Mr.S.P.Rajagop lachar.

Pigs are not game.

(In his second letter, the Revenue Commissioner wants this to be made clear by a N. B.)

II

Proposals made by the Officer in charge of Game Preserves.

(1) Addition to Rule 3, clause (2), fixing the maximum no. of antelopes to be shot by license holders at 5 in the Bangalore, Mysore, Hassan and Kadur Districts and at 10 in the other Districts.

Conservator of Forests.

May be adopted, the wording being changed as follows:- "The maximum number of antelopes that may be shot in any one year, however, may not exceed 5 in the Mysore, Bangalore, Hassan and Kadur Districts and 10 in the other Districts."

Mr. C.S.Balasundaram Iyer.

It is not clear why the Game Preserves officer proposes to limit the total maximum number to be shot in each District. Present rules fix a limit of 2 to each licensee. It is understood that antelope have increased to some extent under the qualified protection given to them.

(2)& (3) Addition to Rule 6 of a clause (d) , and changing present clause (d) into (e)

"Any mature male sambhar or spotted deer, if it is hornless or its horns are in velvet.

Conservator of Forests and Mr.Balasundaram Iyer.

May be adopted, as it is not usual to to shoot such animals.

(4) Addition of a new Rule 5-A, authorising the Conservator to close absolutely any reserved forest to hunting, shooting, trapping, etc

Conservator & Mr. S.P.Rajagopalachar

Power may be reserved to Government.

Mr.C.S.Balasundaram Iyer

Section 6, clause 2 of the Regulation provides for this and no amendment of the rules is necessary.

(5) Amendment of Rule 9. Increase Game license fee from Rs.5 to Rs.10.

Conservator, Revenue Commissioner, Messrs. Rajagopalachar and Balasundaram Iyer, all unanimously disapprove of such enhancement.

(6) Addition of an exception to Rule 9, allowing certain Government officers to stalk or track game under a permit from the Conservator.

Conservator of Forests.

Recommends the exemption as it has been proposed in accordance with the practice obtaining in British India.

Mr. S.P.Rajagopalachar.

May be adopted.

Mr. C.S.Balasundaram Iyer.

May be adopted; but necessity not very clear

(7) Addition of a new Rule 9-A, prohibiting persons with Arms licenses to kill, etc., game between sunrise and sunset

Conservator of Forests.

Should be allowed to pursue wounded game.

Mr. C.S.Balasundaram Iyer.

A most absurd suggestion. May be rejected. Will ruin the raiyats if adopted.

Game watchers amendment

Conservator of Forests. Approves 11 to 13.

Mr.S.P.Rajagopalachar. The proposals may suit sportsmen, but not the raiyats.

Mr.C.S.Balasundaram Iyer.

11. May be adopted

12. May be adopted in the case of sportsmen, but not raiyats who take out licenses under the new rules (in the Malnad).

13. -Ditto-

(14) Amendment of Rule 11, so as to include Game watchers among the officers empowered to arrest offenders under the rule.

Conservator & Mr. Balasundaram Iyer.

May be adopted.

(15) & (16). Additions to Rule 12. The proposal is to require the licensee to deliver up both the license and the 'account' of game at the end of the calendar to the Magistrate or to a "Gazetted" Police or Forest Officer.

Conservator of Forests.

Approves; but would extend the power to Police and Forest officers of not less than the Inspector's or Ranger's rank

Mr.Balasundaram Iyer. Agrees with the Conservator, but proposes suitable alteration of the wording.

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29). The opinion of the Dr marks the Jeune association & certain selected officers may be taken on such of the above amendments as are prima facie acceptable to Govt.

2nd Cr

CSB
22/2/09

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I should like to meet the Conservator of Forests and the Game Preserves Officer and discuss the matter with them. Please ask them when it will be convenient for them to meet me in Office

KWM
20/2/09

30) Rutup letters

22.2.09 SH

1 to 22/2

2) 1 Submitted with a draft D.O.

MJS
25/2
25/2

Issue
26.2.09 SH

3) D.O. issued with J No 24990 27th Feb: 09

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

Legis. File No. 12 of 1907.

Serial

Camp via Bangalore,
1st March 1909.
3rd

Dear Sir,

In reply to your D.O. No J.2499/Legis.12-07 dated the 27th ultimo, I have to inform you that I shall be able to meet the Second Councillor on the 22nd of this month. The Officer in charge of Game Preserves in Mysore informed accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

S. Hiriyannaiya, Esquire, M.A., B.L.,
General and Revenue Secretariat.

L.W. to the Secretariat
4/3/09

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G. R. S. 12]
General and Revenue Secretariat.

Leg File No. 12 of 1907-08

Serial No. 35) Submitted with a draft D.O. to the Conservator of Forests, stating that the 22nd March does not suit to meet the Second Councillor.

MJS 8.3.09
B-G. 8-3-09

Issue
8.3.09

D.O. issued with J 2601 & 10.3.09.

No. 97

J 2316

23/3/09

Br III

Camp- via Bangalore

11th March 1909.

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Dear Sir,

In reply to your D.O. No J.2601 dated the 10th instant, I have to inform you that if the 22nd March will not suit the Second Councillor, I can meet him on the 23rd Tuesday.

Yours faithfully,

S Hiriyannaiya, Esquire, M.A., B.L.,
Assistant Secretary.
General & Revenue Secretariat.

36) Submitted for information. Mr Pritchards camp also falls on the same day. Submitted to 2nd C for information. Mr Pritchards

DW 18/3

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Serial No.

37)) Examination is fixed for that day but it comes off at 12 noon. If approved, I shall intimate Mr Muttanna that he could come at 3 p.m.

13.3.09. SH

38)) Yes please.

HWL
13.3.09.

39)) Return D.O. at once.

13/3/09 SH

40)) Draft D.O. is herewith submitted

MSI
13/3/09

Issue

13/3/09 SH

NW/13/3

D.O. issued with No 2740 & 17th March 09

41)) Submitted for H.E.'s Council

The result of the discussion that took place on the 23rd ult with the Conservator and the Game officer has been embodied in the accompanying copy which is submitted for approval. Further action as directed is being taken.

7/4 SH

42) Flag I.

approved

HWL
10/4/09

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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	(13) Draft noted. Issue
	14/4/09 13/4
	Secretary
	Hyde to Inspector Mysore
	14/4/09
8	To the Conservator of Forests in Mysore No. J 3216 & the 20th April 09. Requests him to obtain and forward to Govt the opinions of the Mysore Game and Fish Preservation ~~Regulation~~ Association and of leading sportsmen in the State re: the amendment of certain rules framed under the Game Regulation No
9	From the Game Officer, No. 1078 & 23rd June 1909. Forwards the opinions of the Hon. Secretary, Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Regulation, Mr. H. H. Sparkes, the District Magte, Shimoga and the Sp. of Police in Mysore, together with extracts of Game Rules in force in (1) Assam (2) Bengal (3) Central Provinces and (4) United Provinces, exempting certain classes of Officers from the liability of taking out shooting licenses.

Mrs Mangles keeping in suspense.
22/11/09

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shooting licenses.

Rule 3, clause 2:- The Inspector General of Police and the Secretary to the Game and Fish Preservation Association are not in favour of drawing any distinction between districts in the number of antelopes that may be shot by a license holder. Objection is taken to by the former to the wording of the ~~section~~ rule on the score that the Rule is not clear whether the maximum number of antelopes to be shot in one year has reference to a single license-holder or otherwise and the following suggestion is made in the amendment:-

"The maximum number of antelopes that may be shot in any one year by one person holding a license may not exceed 5 in any one district"

The Secretary to the Game and Fish Preservation Association limits the no to 6.

Rule 6 A (a):- The Ig. of Police states that this provision is necessary and that the same may appropriately come after Rule 3 clause (2).

Mr H St Sparkes and the Secretary

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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of the Game Association suggest slight alterations in the number of animals that are to be shot.

Rule (6A+6). There is a divergence of opinion even in this clause. The Dy. of Police and Mr. H.H. Spankes are in favour of this amendment, while the Secretary of the Game Association states that this provision is likely to cause some friction between the sportsmen and the forest-guards for two reasons, viz, (1.st) the difficulty of getting a forest-guard whenever wanted and (2.nd) the question of paying for the services of a man who is protecting the interests of the Government. ✓11

46) Copies of extracts of Game Rules in force in (1) Assam (2) Bengal (3) Central Provinces and (4) United Provinces, exempting certain classes of officers from taking out Shooting licenses are herewith submitted. The Conservator of Forests has not forwarded copies of Game Rules of the Madras Presidency and Coorg

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on this subject

~~Submitted for orders.~~

40) Dr. S.S. 28.6.09 / In this connection the Offr begs to bring to notice the different proposals made by Mr. Hanson, the Superintendent of Post Offices, Shimoga in his letter and to para 5 of the Office notes of the file, Legis (36-08), herewith submitted, wherein it was thought better to consider these proposals along with the amendments of the Game Rules now under consideration. Opinions of the Game and Fish Preservation Association and of the Re Conservator on the same have been received and reminders have been issued to others to expedite the despatch of their opinions.

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Submitted for orders. ✓

Dr. S.S. 29.6.09 29/6 41) Await other replies

Dr 30/6

30/6/09 S.S.

10 From the Conservator of Forests, No: 894 of the 26th July 09.

Forwards a copy of letter No. 51/09 dated 21.7.09 from the Honorary Secretary, Mysore Planters' Association, on the subject of amendments to the Mysore Game Rules.

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General and Revenue
Secretariat.

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11 From the Conservator of Forests, Mysore,
No. 1888 dt. 20th Aug. 09.
Forwards in continuation of Sl. No. 10, a
copy of letter No. 775 dt. 14th Aug. 09 from
Deputy Commr. Mysore, regarding the proposed
additions and amendments to the Game
Rules.

12 From the same office No. 1888 dt. 20th ult.
Forwards in continuation of
received on the subject from the Dy. Cr.
Srirangapatna, Dept. Mammals, Kadur

48) The subject has been referred for Consideration along with Mr. Hansard's proposals. As soon as the opinions called for on the latter are received. Replies are due as regards the latter from 3 more zones and reminders are being issued (vide back of file.) Ltd. for further orders. Replies may be awaited.

Legis 36-08

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Yr. obt. Servt
28/1/10.

50) Extract from first Members orders on file J. Secs 1665-15

"21. Please work up the case with information available as soon

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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(Init) A.R.B. 29/5/11

551) Submitted.

Mr Hanson, Superintendent of Post Offices, sent in April 1909 certain proposals for amending the Game Rules and these suggestions were referred to the Deputy Commissioners ~~for Opinion~~. All the Conservators of Forests, the Revenue Commissioner and the Game and Fish Preservation Association. All the above Officers except the D.C. Hassan &c have sent their Opinions. No reply has been received from the D.C. Hassan even after repeated reminders. A statement containing the views of the other Officers is prepared and put up herewith. The Opinion of the Conservator of Forests on the proposals of the Game Preservation Officer and as well as the Opinion of the then 2nd Commr (Ch.) is also put up in the file

CB 27/6/16 Pdl

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vide Legis 36-08 (linked file).

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52) There are two sets of proposals for the amendment of the Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Regulation, and the Rules framed thereunder, — one by the Revenue Commissioner and the other by the Officer in charge of the Game Preserves.

53) Most of the grievances for redress referred to by the Revenue Commissioner have practically been solved by the recent Notification "No. J. 498 - Legis 15.09.28 of 13.8.08 under which the fee for a license has been reduced to Rs. 5/- and the license has operation even over the District Forests. The amendment of S 12 of the Regulation proposed by him does not, however, appear to be quite necessary at present, and it is likely, if a test case in point is laid before the Civil Court, a definite interpretation may be obtained before the amendment is made.

54) As regards the Second Set of proposals, the Member then in charge of this Branch has already approved (tentatively) of the amendments:-

1. Insertion of a clause to Rule 6: "Big mature male Sambhar or Spotted deer, if it is hunters or its horns."

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2. The insertion of an exception to Rule 9, that certain classes of persons are exempt from taking a license and may stalk or track game,

3. The insertion of a clause as Rule 10 A limiting the aggregate of game of certain specified species, and making it incumbent on the licenseholders to take a forest guard and pay him

4. Insertion of a clause as Rule 10 B that the licenseholder should camp only in the forest specially set apart for the purpose,

5. The award power granted under Rule 11 should also vest in Game Watchers, and

6. The amendment of S 12 so as to provide for the return of the license when called upon by a Magistrate.

55) ~~1.~~ These amendments may be accepted for the following reasons

1. The amendment relating to the prohibition of killing "any mature Male Sambhar or spotted deer, if it is Hornless or its horns are in velvet" is in force in the neighbouring Province of Coorg, in Assam, Bengal, Burma and the reason apparently is that they should not be killed when the horns are in the stage of growth.

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56) As regards the exemption of certain class of officers, it may be noted that such a rule exists in almost all parts of British India, and, if approved, may also be adopted here.

57) The proposal regarding the aggregate of game shot in a year, and the duty of taking a guard at the expense of the licensholder seems to be in accordance with a similar rule in force in British India. (Vide Rules in Assam, Bengal, Bombay, Central Provinces.)

58) Similarly the other amendments mentioned above are taken practically from the Rules in force in British India.

59) But though these Rules are also based on those in force in British India, it is necessary that they are strictly enforced and there have been some complaints that they are not so enforced. Further the European Planters have raised some objections to the proposed rule regarding the duty to take a forest-guard and to pay for him.

60) If the amendments are approved, necessary drafts will be submitted. I submit that the amendments have to be approved by His Honour also according to a resolution.

Second Member

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(61) Please put up for consideration a draft order dealing with all the proposals on the lines you suggest. I shall then deal with them.

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(62) Draft Rs.

(63)

Subd. with 3 drafts embodying the suggestions approved in the linked file also. In this connection it may be pointed out that protection was granted up to 15th July 1916 and the birds with bright coloured plumage and sea-fowl are protected up to 30th June 1917, except to the extent specified in paragraph 2 of rule 3.

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Rules under Regn II of 1901

(64) No representations were received for further protection of bison and so no action was taken in the matter. Under the new rule 10 C. (a) proposed to be inserted bison is again among certain other species proposed to be protected in the same way. It is therefore a point for orders whether clause (a) of

Please opena separate file & enquire if further protection is needed. 25/8

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for the new rule 10 C may not be brought on and combined with rule 3.

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As under section 6 of the Game and Fish Preservation Regs., 1901, protection can be given only for periods not exceeding 5 years at a time a para is added to rule 10 C (a) to ~~that~~ the effect that this restriction will apply only for a period of five years from the date of the notn.

(66) Again as the proposed rule 10 C.(b) stands ~~it was~~ the necessity to take a forest guard or game-watchman with him is cast on every license-holder whether to shoot ~~a big~~ the game named in 10 C or other. Probably as some sort of watch is necessary in the case of game specially mentioned in ~~rule~~ 10 C and as this restriction is put down as para 2 of that section, the necessity to pay for and take with him a forest-guard or game watchman attaches only to

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License issued for shooting the game mentioned in the rule. If so this will may be made more clear in the draft by adding the words "for ~~shooting~~ killing any game specified in this rule" after the words "license holders" in the first sentence of this paragraph, and may the paragraph itself be added on to rule 3 along with paragraph (a).

66) 2/8/16 Submitted for approval. In regards the draft relating to the rewards, the first four rules, and rule 15 (1) seem to be sufficient. If approved, a revised draft will be submitted.

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Secretary Member)

1739.
4.8.16.

67) I have approved of the draft with slight verbal changes. (A clean copy of the one re rewards should be kept with file after being shown to me)

68) They may, if approved by the Secretary be circulated to the other members of Council

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69) The three drafts may be forwarded unofficially to the Conservator of Forests for favour of verification and return,

70) After verification, the papers may be circulated to the Members of Council and returned for submission to His Highness.

Early.

31.10.16 [illegible]

U.O.f 330/16 — 8-1-11-16

71) Forwarded unofficially to the Conservator of Forests for favour verification and return.

By order,
G. Srinivasaiya,
For Secretary to Govt.
31.10.1916. General Dept.

U.O. 401-11-16

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72) Clause 1 of para 1 of the draft Government Order and the amendment to Rule 3 in the draft notification authorize any one License-holder to shoot in a year five antelopes in the Districts of Mysore, Bangalore, Hassan and Kadur and ten in the other Districts. The object with which the amendment was proposed was not to increase the number that each license-holder is permitted to shoot

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shoot, which, according to the existing rule, is only two, but to fix the maximum number that may be permitted to be shot in a year at five in each of the Districts of Bangalore, Kadur, Hassan and Mysore and ten in each of the other Districts. I would, therefore, propose the following modification:-

73) In clausel of para 1 of the draft Government Order, the words "by any one license-holder" should be omitted and the words "each of" inserted between "in" and "the" in line 3 thereof.

74) Instead of the proposed amendment to clause 2 of rule 3 in the draft notification, I would propose that the following be inserted as the second sentence in the existing clause 2 of Rule 3:- "The maximum number of antelopes that may be shot in any one year, however, shall not exceed 5 in any of the Districts of Mysore, Kadur, Hassan and Bangalore and ten in any other District"

75) Clause 6 of para 1 of the draft Government Government Order is evidently incorrect, as Forest Guards are already empowered under the existing rules. I would therefore substitute the words "Game Supervisors and Game Watchers" for "Forest Guards". Similarly, the words "Game Supervisors" should be inserted before the word 'and' in line 2 of rule 11 in the draft notification.

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To W.W.S 9 4-11-16

76) Rule 10 (c) proposed by me has been omitted. I think it would be better to insert the same as it is not sprotsmanlike to sit over salt licks and water-holes and kill game.

77) The other portion of the draft Government Order and Notification call for no remarks.

Dyn anwaloo

4/11/16. Conservator of Forests.

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18.11. 1916

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Clause ii of the Schedule).

Proposals for the amendment of the Rules issued under the Game and Fish Preservation Regulation.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

D. M. Macaulay

18th November

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Secretary to Government.

Extraordinary Member of Council. Not sent to Ext. Member as he is not well.

700/20.11. **First Member of Council.** Respectfully recorded. Ouw 21/11

109/18.11.16. **Second Member of Council.** The Curator's amended rules may be issued with the rule passed

20.11 Ouw 21/11

Draft to Govt 21/11

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84) Subv. The drafts I and II have been suitably altered in red-ink so as to give effect to the suggestions of the Conservator of Forests [redacted] The file has to be submitted to H.H. for approval. A draft submn note is also put up.

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85) Draft submissions submitted for favour of Dewan's approval. (vide note in paragraph 70)

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Submitted to His Highness.

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83) In 1907 the Conservator of Forests sent up proposals for amending the Game Rules. While these were under consideration Mr. Hanson, then Superintendent of Post Offices in Shimoga, complained in 1909 of the wanton destruction of game in the Shimoga and adjoining Districts and made certain proposals for amending the game rules. These amendments which were similar to those suggested by the Conservator of Forests were referred to the Deputy Commissioners of Districts for opinion and their views obtained.

× II (limited file)
Encl to Sl. Legis 36-08

× V,
Sl 2, Legis 36-08

84) 2. Three drafts prepared to give effect to these suggestions are herewith submitted. These have been verified by the Conservator of Forests and have been approved by the Members of Council.

×Draft for approval
I, II, III

85) 3. Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the draft Government Order clearly specifies the scope of these amendments.

×Draft for appt to I

86) 4. The drafts may graciously be approved.

M. Visvesvaraya.
11th Jan 1917

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Proposals for amending the Game Rules.

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Returned with DO No. 204 dated 19.1.1917.

Order.

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PRIVATE SECRETARY MYSORE

THE PALACE,
BANGALORE.

19th January 1917.

My dear Sir,

With reference to our conversation day before yesterday, I am returning to you the File relating to the amendment of the Mysore Game Rules, as there are one or two points on which His Highness would like a further discussion.

2. The first amendment proposed in the draft order of Government fixes the maximum number of antelope that may be shot in any one year at 5 for some Districts and 10 for others. It seems to His Highness that this rule would be invidious to work in practice, for it would be impossible to divide up 5 antelope between, say, 12 or 15 Licensed Sportsmen each anxious to shoot one or more of these animals. If antelope are so scarce that it is inadvisable to allow licensed Sportsmen to shoot one or two apiece, it seems to His Highness preferable to prohibit altogether the shooting of antelope until their numbers increase. It must be remembered at the same time, in the interest of the Ryots, that antelope are capable of doing enormous damage to crops if allowed to increase unduly. If shooting is to be allowed at all, the only equitable rule seems be to allow each licence holder to shoot one or two in a year.

3. The proposed Rule compelling every licence holder to take with him a Forest Guard or Game Watchman and to pay his salary seems to His Highness tantamount to raising the Licence-fee indirectly and to be difficult to work in practice. For instance, it might happen that a Forest Subordinate could not be spared when his services are asked for, and a Licence holder would have a valid grievance if he was prevented from shooting for this reason alone

The Secretary of the Game and Fish Preservation Association has expressed a very strong opinion against th

proposed rule and represents with some force that it is likely to cause friction between Sportsmen and Forest Guards and that it would be very difficult for the former to take a Forest Guard with them when shooting in the Ghauts where no food or shelter is attainable.

There is a further objection to the rule, and that is that it would complicate accounts to enter these Forest Guards as paid by private agency for broken periods

It has also to be remembered that the majority of Sportsmen who shoot in the State Forests are gentlemen who may be trusted not to break the Game Rules and that there is no necessity for placing a watch over their actions. The real trouble is caused by non-licensed people who slaughter game indiscriminately and the rule referred to provides no remedy against them.

His Highness can find no arguments in the File in support of the rule except a statement by the Conservator that a similar rule is in force in some Provinces in British India. He finds also that Messrs. H.H.Sparkes & Muttanna are in favour of it, though the former would apply it only i State and not in District Forests.

On the whole the arguments against the introduction of the rule seem to His Highness to be of considerble weight and he would suggest that it may be omitted and that t will be sufficient to lay down that every licensed portsman should give the local Forest Officer notice of his intention to shoot in a State Forest.

4. Referring to the draft Notification of the rules for the grant of rewards to informants marked III in the File, I am to suggest that in para 3 the words "information which may lead to the" may be substituted for the words "the employment of informers or for any other purpose connected with the".

5. His Highness is afraid that a great deal yet

remains to be done before any real protection can be secured for game animals and birds against the ravages of poachers and he would be glad if the Government would impress on all Forest Officers the importance of their using every personal effort to put a stop to the wanton destruction of game which has been going on almost unchecked for years past and of which there is ample evidence in these papers.

6. His Highness would be interested to know how many cases of poaching for game have been detected and prosecuted within the last 5 years. Government Order No.3328-40 Legis. 15-14 dated 20th May 1905 contains an interesting summary of the unsatisfactory state of affairs in regard to the protection of game which existed then and His Highness has reason to fear that things are little better now than they were 12 years ago.

7. I am sending you an extract from the "Madras Mail" of January 1917 dealing with the subject under discussion.

Yours sincerely,

R K Lambert

Sir M. Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E.,

Dewan of Mysore,

Bangalore.

SHIKAR IN MYSORE.

Madras Mail. Jan 18th 1917

A SPORTSMAN'S VIEWS.

MYSORE, 16*th Jan*.—Your leaderette, a few days ago, on "Big Game in Mysore," has been perused with no little interest by local sportsmen. A gentleman who is a well-known authority on all matters relating to shikar, has sent me the following observations on the points dealt with in your article, and I am forwarding his views to you for publication, because they contain many valuable suggestions, which, I have no doubt, will appeal very strongly to those who are interested in the question of the preservation of big game in Mysore. He writes:—

"It is refreshing to learn from a recent leaderette in the *Madras Mail* that big game is increasing in Mysore. This, however, refers to the Shimoga District, where the game rules 'are apparently better managed.' In the Mysore District itself, game preservation is, I fear, little better than a farce. Whatever is the good of making rules and regulations when they are never carried out? For instance, there are certain villages which send their men out to net tigers, whenever any distinguished visitor comes along and wishes to bag one. These men are, of course, paid for the job, and because of the services they render, they are allowed the privilege of netting game in State forests, as well as in special preserves. They do this all through the year, in the close as well as the open season, and killing stags in velvet, does, fawns, and indeed everything they manage to catch, are among their regular pursuits. And again, one man buys a license, which stands good for the whole village, and any number, up to 500, turn out on the strength of it, and shoot regularly every Monday, which day of the week is observed in Mysore as a day of rest for the bulls, which are not worked, and their owners spend the day in the enjoyment of shikar. There are villages, again, which despise the use of nets and send their own men out with dogs and spears to shikar pig. Well, if it only rested with pig-shikar, there would not be much to complain of; but any number of antelope, particularly the fawns, are indescriminately slaughtered. I have known of 17 does and fawns being killed in one morning, and as for the luckless hare, it is simply 'mopped up.' There are tracts of shrub jungle where one could walk a whole day, and not see a single hare—places which should be teeming with them. And as for the gentleman who uses a gun; he is an absolute pest. The greater part of these gentry do not even possess the ordinary eight anna gun license. They are, needless to say, old pals of the Police and forest and game watchers, who who are not such fools as to give them away, and lose such good sources of income, though it must cost their generous patrons considerably more in money and kind, squaring the representatives of the law, than it would to purchase a shooting license.

In State forests, as well as the Maharajah's special reserves, shots can be heard all day. It is certainly difficult, if not altogether impossible, to capture the poacher red handed, especially the *kurber* who goes in for gunning; but the principal offenders are from villages close to the forests. Perhaps if a systematic attempt was made, they could be caught bringing in the meat and dried skins, while the Lubbay merchant, who is always found in such places, ready to purchase hides and horns, could be called upon to prove where he got them.

I have heard all sorts of talk about the rights of certain people, etc., but this is all mere socialistic buck. No man, whoever he may be, has any right whatever to wantonly destroy the beautiful fauna of a country. As far as I can see, the only remedy would be to stipulate that every man who owns a spear and and dog, and shikars with them, should pay a fee of Rs. 1, and the man who nets, Rs. 2 for every net he uses, while the individual who shoots, should, if caught, be summarily dealt with. It is also necessary that substantial rewards be offered the police and game watchers for the capture of offenders. The number of game-watchers at present employed is woefully deficient, and any attempt on their part to apprehend the poachers would be simply suicidal, for they would be murdered without question. So, of course, they prefer to remain in the background, keep mum, and take a share of the spoils. The officer in charge of the game preserves is himself a very keen sportsman, and I am sure he would like to see the game laws thoroughly enforced, but he is fairly powerless, as his department is so sadly undermanned. The time has come for Mysore, like the Nilgiris, to claim the privilege of its own Game Association. Every district in the State ought to have one, with the Deputy Commissioner as the President, and the amildars as members, who would receive very material assistance in that capacity by the several sportsmen, who would, I feel sure, willingly become members themselves.

This is obviously the only course open to us if any really serious effort is to be made to save the big game of Mysore, and to restore to these memorable preserves their reputation as those of a great shooting country."

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

File No. 12

Serial No.	
	Dewans orders "Secretary. May be also brought-up in person after the details are worked up" Into M.V. 20/1/17
	Secretary's orde "A.S. III. (1) Mark the points first- (2) Note information (3) amend drafts and put-up draft reply in a week's time Into S.H.V. 20/1
91)	Subd. A note of the points touched in D.O. is put-up Information is not available a points 1 and 5. A draft to the conservator of Forests calling for the information is put-up. 20/1/17
92)	20/1/17 Draft approved by the Asst Secretary and ordered to be issued. 20/1/17
13	No J 25 72 dated 20/1/17 To the Conservator of Forests in Mysore Calls for information on the points 1 to 5.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Serial No. 14

Lr 8015 dated 23 January 1917 from the Conservator of Forests informs that antelopes are very scarce in the Dts of Mysore Bangalore, Kadur and Hassan and their shooting may be prohibited absolutely in those Dts for 5 years and that in other Dts each sportsman may be permitted to shoot one antelope each in a year and also that he has no information as to the nos of cases detected and prosecuted for poaching of game for the past 5 years.

93) Subd. May the Dt Magistrates be asked by telegram to wire the information required. The GI Secretary ordered the submn of the file in a week. 25/1/17

94) Write to the Dt Magistrates for information. Letters Std issued. 25/1/17

95) Subd. with a draft to the D. Cn. 25/1/17

96) Issued as desd 25/1/17

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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15 ~~Secret~~ No J 2632-39 dated 25th Jan: 17 to the Dt Magistrates of Dts

Requests them to forward information shewing the Nos of cases detected and prosecuted in their Dts for poaching of game during each of the past 5 years

Subd.

28) As ordered by the General Secretary a separate note of all the points contained in the D.O. from the Private Secretary to H.H. is put up and the 3 drafts have been altered as ordered therein (Vide amendment slips attached) After approval the drafts as amended will be got typed. Information on the Nos detected and prosecuted of cases of poaching for game during the past 5 years is not available in the Office of the Conservator of Forests and hence the Dt Magistrates have been addressed. The draft reply to Mr Campbell's D.O. will be put up on receipt of this information.

29) The file is now resubmitted for extension of time stipulated by the Gl. Secretary for submn of draft reply.

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100) On 20 Jan 1917 the Se
directed that a draft reply should be
up in a week. Some information was
by the Private Secy to His Highness is yet aw
here and has been called for from the Dt Mag
A draft reply will be put up in the course
another week by which time it is hoped tha
the required information will have been rec
(Sd) Dmw 26/1 26/1/17
26/1/17.

16 No D. Dis. 117 Judl. of 1916-17 of 27/29/1
from the Dy ~~Magistrate~~ comm, Chitaldrug
Informs that there was only one
case of poaching in 1914.

101) S.W. Replies from other Dts
have not been received.
May a D.O. reminder to the
other D.C.s be sent. Submd
with a draft.

102) Done today
SW A 30/1/17 8/2/17

16 D. Dis No 7 Judl of 16-17 of 29th January 1917
from the Dy comm, Chitaldrug
forwards the statement called for

17 H.O.C-938/16-17 of 30/1/17
from the Dy comm Kadur Dt
forwards the statement called for

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No. D.is. 111/S dated 3/2/17 from the D.C. Magistrate, Hassan forwards the statement called for

23 No. D.is. 169 dated 2nd Feb: 1917 (16.17) from the D.C. Magistrate, Mysore forwards the statement called for

106) Submitted. with a statement shewing the no. of cases of poaching detected and prosecuted in each year during the last 5 years in each D.t.

This information has been called from by ~~the~~ His Highness

Draft no IV ~~Flag S~~ A draft D.O. to the Private Secretary to H.H. is also put up and the other 3 drafts suitably altered as ordered. (vide correction slips attached).

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107) The points requiring consideration are as follows:.

1. Rule (3) as originally drafted fixed the maximum number of antelope that might be shot in any year at 5 for Some districts and 10 for other Districts. This rule considered invidious to work in practice and it is Suggested that if they are really so

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Scarce as not to allow a sportsman to shoot one or two a-piece, the shooting may be prohibited altogether. It has also been pointed out that undue increase may lead to the destruction of crops and consequent injury to the ryots.

2. Rule 10 C(2) in the draft compelling the license holder to take, with him a Forest guard and pay his salary is considered difficult to work in practice. It is suggested that the rule may be omitted and that a rule to the effect that "every licensed sportsman should give the local Forest officer notice of his intention to shoot in the State Forest" may be substituted.

3. A slight Verbal amendment has been suggested in regard to the Notification (draft III)

4. His Highness would order that Government should impress on all Forest officers the importance of their using every possible effort to put a stop to the wanton destruction of game.

5. Information as to the number of cases of poaching and detected and prosecuted within the last 5 years is called for.

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108) As regards the first point, the Conservator of Forests reports that antelopes are very scarce in the Districts of Mysore, Bangalore, Kadur and Hassan and recommends that their shooting in those Districts may be altogether prohibited for a period of 5 years and that in the other Districts each sportsman may be permitted to shoot not more than one male head with horns not less than 15" in length. The rules have been amended in accordance with this recommendation for approval or otherwise order.

Draft II

109) The amendments ordered in regard to points 2 & 3 have been adopted

Drafts II & III

112) Draft I

III & IV neatly & correctly checked. Faults carefully removed

Note addressed

Dues (attached to Draft IV) Page 64 16/2

110) An additional paragraph has been inserted embodying the suggestion contained in para point no 4.

111) A statement furnishing the information called for is also submitted.

113) Please retype 21/2/17

114) Drafts retyped are herewith submitted 28/2/17

115) Checked 28/2/17 Gen Stg

5010 1.3.17

Sec) First member & Dues 2028 28/2/17 Read 5 p.m.

116) Draft Rules 1/3/17

Dues & Rules 28/2

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Bangalore,

D. O. No. 4762/Ex. one statement & one file. 3rd March 1917.

Refce. D°. N 4209
Legis file 12-07

My dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O.No.204 dated 19th January 1917 in the matter of the amendment of Game Rules, I enclose herein a statement showing the number of cases of poaching for game detected and convicted in the several districts during the past five years.

Regarding the number of antelopes that each sportsman may be allowed to shoot in any year the Conservator of Forests reports that as antelopes are very scarce in the districts of Mysore, Bangalore, Kadur and Hassan absolute protection for five years is required in those districts and recommends that in the other districts each sportsman may be allowed to shoot only one antelope with horns not less than 15 inches long.

The drafts have been suitably revised and may be submitted to His Highness for his gracious approval.

Yours sincerely

To

R.H.Campbell Esq., I.C.S., C.I.E.,
Private Secretary to His
Highness the Maharaja.

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Statement showing the number of cases detected and prosecuted for poaching of game during each of the past five years

(1912 to 1916)

Name of District.	No. of cases.										Total		Total of	
	1912		1913		1914		1915		1916.					
	No. of cases.	No.of persons involved.	No.of cases	No.of persons involved	No.of cases	No.of persons involved	No.of cases	No.of persons involved.	No.of cases	No.of persons involved.	No.of cases	No.of persons involved	No.of cases of convictions.	No.of persons convicted.
Bangalore	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	2	-	-	3	3	3	3
Kolar	-	-	1	18	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	19	1	1
Tumkur	-	-	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	1	5
Mysore	1	1	-	-	6	26	1	1	-	-	8	28	7	25
Hassan	3	6	9	12	-	-	2	2	2	2	16	22		
Shimoga	1	5	3	48	3	20	-	-	-	-	7	73	22	39
Kadur	-	-	2	11	3	15	1	1	6	26	12	53	8	26
Chitaldrug	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Total	5	12	16	94	14	63	6	6	9	29	50	204		

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D. O. No. 24308

THE PALACE,

BANGALORE.

6th March 1917.

Dy No 248
With one file

Dear Mr. Kantharaj Urs,

118) In returning herewith the file of papers relating to the amendment of the Rules under the Game and fish Preservation Regulation, forwarded with your D.O. letter No. 4762 of the 3rd Instant, I am directed to say that His Highness approves of the revised drafts on the file.

Put up hereafter

Yours sincerely,

Rajaseva Dhurina

Sirdar M. Kantharaj Urs, C.S.I.,

First Member of Council,

Bangalore.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

Regl. File No. 12 of 1917

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24	To The Compiler Mysore Gazette no J 3399 16-3-1917 Notifies the amendment of the Rules published with notification 4007-Regn SG dated 11th Dec 1901
25	To The Compiler Mysore Gazette no J 3400 16th Mar Notifies the rules for the grant rewards to subordinate in cases of infringement of Game laws
26	To The Conservator of Forests The Dt. Magistrates of Dts. The Asst. Comr. The Comptroller, no J 3405-15 14th Mar. States that Govt desire consider if desirable to amend the Rules issued under the Game and Fish Preservation Regulation.

Received in Ch. Secretariat 12.4.17.

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Serial No

Diary No. of letter replied to _____

No. 9213

General and Rev. Secretariat

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To

The Revenue Commissioner
in Mysore Bangalore

Date of issue 12/7/07

Signed by Jas Douglas Ross

Has the honor to invite his attention to the marginally noted remarks in file No. 501 of 1906 (Land Res) re application of Mr Pilkington for grant of land for coffee cultivation without the reservation of the necessary margin on either side of the stream running through the land applied for, to observe that the definition of 'game' as defined by the Game & Fish Preservation Regulation does not seem to include tigers or other wild animals which the

P. T. O.

"I am glad Mr Pilkington refers prominently to the havoc caused by pigs and monkeys. The Malnad ryot suffers heavily from the ravages of pigs & wild animals & the restriction imposed on his waging war against them by the Forest Rules & the Game Preservation laws are a crying evil which in course of time is likely to lead to serious discontent"

SUBJECT.

Revenue Commissioners report and
Monkeys though protected under
the same rule can be killed if
they do damage to Crops. This
~~is required~~ the Revenue Commissioners
and to ~~therefore request to obtain~~
~~necessary~~
~~necessary~~ that the provisions
of the Rules or Regulations under which
sevenly on the ryots may be in
~~the Rules Rejection may~~

By Order

Secretary

ACS SW
18/7/07

List of enclosures,

Copied by CA 19/7/07

Examined by SW

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No. C-148 OFFICE OF THE REV. COMR. IN MYSORE

Camp Mysore ~~Hebbalote~~, 22nd October 1907.

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FROM

A. RANGASWAMI IYENGAR, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

TO

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General & Revenue Departments.

SIR,

With reference to your Docket No.J.213/Legis.-Mis dated 19th July 1907, inviting attention to my un-official rrmarks in File No.501 of 1906-07 (Land Revenue) about the restriction imposed on a malnad ryot by the forest rules and Game preservatipn laws in preventing the ravages of pigs and other wild animals, and requesting me to more definitely state the provisions of the rules and regulations which are said to operate severely on the ryots, I have the honor to state that the depredations of wild animals in malnad have often been the subject of representations in the Dasara Representative Assembly. From the marginally noted Dasara Representative Assembly Subjects, it may be observed that the members chiefly from malnad had this in view when they urged that Khedda operations should be extended to the Shimoga District and the ryots should be relieved of the necessity of obtaining licenses every year for keeping guns, that the fees for the Game licenses should be reduced, that the villagers should be exempted from the operation of the Game laws when they go a-hunting small game, during certain festival occasions, that permission should be granted to shoot the monkeys, deer and other animals etc. It may be noted that the difficulties which the malnad ryots had been labouring under before

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" 15 of 1903
" 29 of 1904
" 70 of 1904

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From

A. RANGASWAMI IYENGAR, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Revenue Commissioner

in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General & Revenue Departments

Dated Camp Mysore 22nd

Despatched 22nd October 07.

Received .

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Enclosure No.

giving the reasons for holding that the malnad ryots are in need of some relief from the devastations of their crops by wild animals.

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~~Before~~ by the devastations of wild animals have been aggravated since the passing of the game and fish preservation Regulation II of 1901 as greater restriction and difficulties have been placed on them in preventing the destruction of their crops etc. by the wild animals. The provision intended to afford relief to the ryots in this respect in section 12 of the Regulation has become practically inoperative, for the wording of the section as it stands at present is generally construed to mean that any owner or occupier of land can only kill, capture or pursue game actually doing damage and not otherwise. In other words no ryots can kill, capture or pursue any game except when it is actually causing damage. It would be almost impossible for the ryots to watch and protect the crops as the wild animals generally commit their ravages only during nights. It is scarcely possible for poor and ill-protected ryots to watch fields during nights in inclement weather and detect the grazing of pigs and deer in parts of the large fields in the dark and shoot or pursue them. In such cases, they should be able to prevent the trespass of the animals and this cannot be effectively done unless they are able to scare and drive away the animals from thickets in the neighbourhood allowing them shelter or follow them by their foot-prints or other marks observable in the fields during the day and kill them. I would therefore strongly urge the amendment of this section.

2. The expansion of forest reserves has also been adding to the difficulties. Instances are not wanting where the boundaries of reserved lands and forests have come very close to cultivation (the margin allowed being only 5 chains) thus affording shelter to wild animals very near their cultivated land while at the same time the ryots are prevented from entering the reserved forests armed with proper weapons for killing or driving away these animals.

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3 To shoot at, kill or pursue any game, game licenses are necessary but ~~it~~ great difficulties are thrown in the way of the ryots to get them. Moreover the fee for such licenses viz., Rs.10/- is felt to be high and prohibitive by most of the ryots. Even under such licenses, some animals which commonly cause greatest damage, such as bison, deer, antelope, sambhar &c. cannot be killed. The prohibition of the destruction of game other than hare and feathered game in the close season i.e., during the five months between 15th June to 15th November- vide rule 6(b) of the Rules framed under the Regulation- also operates severely on the ryots. The late Mr. L.Ricketts whose experience as a Mysore Officer is unrivalled, says on this point that " to give them(game other than hare or feathered game) further immunity(i.e., in the close season) will certainly greatly increase their numbers and powers of mischief to devastate the crops of villagers and to destroy plants and saplings by whole-sale browsing. Further tigers and cheetahs will assuredly increase in numbers in proportion to the multiplication of the above mentioned game with the result of increased loss of agricultural stock - if not human life also-" vide para 4 of his Memorandum, page 28 of the printed collection of the papers relating to the draft rules under the Mysore Game and fish preservation Regulation II of 1901.

4. I may also refer to rule 1, according to which the destruction of monkeys and parrots are absolutely prohibited. Monkeys and parrots are not game and do not therefore come under section 12 of the Regulation. I think that there is some force in Mr. Brown's remarks (vide page 34 of the collection.) on this point. He says that " if their destruction is absolutely prohibited the owners of cultivated lands will be entitled to compensation for the damage caused to any crops thereon." He adds that native gardeners have often asked him to shoot the monkeys infesting their cocoanut gardens where not a single cocoanut was harvested owing

to mischievous depradations of these animals.

5. As regards elephants, which also cause considerable damage to crops in some portions of the malnad, Act I of 1873 prevents their indiscriminate destruction. Under section 6 any person may shoot at or destroy any male or female elephants found upon cultivated lands. Only wild male elephants can be shot on Government waste or forest lands but licenses are necessary for this purpose. These provisions are also not sufficient to afford relief to the ryots from the depredations of elephants.

6. From a conversation with Mr. Pilkington last month, I learnt that he is also of opinion that wild pigs &c; are a great nuisance in the malnad, that considerable damage has been done to the plantations and cultivation by their devastations and that some provision must be made in the game Regulation to allow the ryots to prevent them. He said that some wild sambhars got into his Para rubber plantation by breaking through wire-fencing and caused great damage by eating the tender shoots, and that the cardamom plants of one Kalappa were similarly destroyed by wild pigs. He also referred to Mr. Crawford as ~~having~~ holding the same opinion. He suggested that the villagers might be allowed to beat for these animals on certain days as of old so as to prevent their multiplying and causing damage to cultivation.

7. I have also rceived petitions from certain ryots in the Shikarpur Taluk and Kumsi Sub Taluk complaining of the destruction of their crops by wild animals.

8 The reasons given above will, I believe, be considered sufficient to support my un-official remarks referred to in the docket under reply and I cannot help repeating

that

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Rev. Forests]

OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE,

No. 3670 *Dated Bangalore,* 23rd October *1907.*

Enclosures 1

From

RAI BAHADUR M. MUTHANNAH, Esq.,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore,

To

C. S. Balasundaram Aiyer, Esq., B. A.,

Secy. to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments,

Bangalore.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit herewith for the orders of Government, certain proposals made by the Officer in Charge of the Game Preserves, for the amendment of the game rules and my remarks thereon.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

A.M.S.

Proposed additions and amendments to Game Rules published under Notification No. 9007-Legis: 56, dated 11th December 1901 and Notification No. J.1977-Legis:23-06-2, dated the 10th January 1907.

Encl to sl 3

Game Officer's Proposals.	Remarks of the Conservator of Forests.
Rule 3, Clause 2.	
Insert the following between the first and second sentences:--	The addendum may be worded as follows:--
"The maximum number of antelopes, for which permission may be given to be shot to the license holders by the District Magistrates of Mysore, Bangalore, Hassan and Kadur should not exceed 5 in each of the above Districts and 10 in the other Districts."	"The maximum number of antelopes that may be shot in any one year, however, may not exceed 5 in Mysore, Bangalore, Hassan and Kadur Districts and 10 in the other Districts."
2. Insert the following as Clause (d) to Rule 6:--	
"Any mature male sambhar or spotted deer, if it is hornless or its horns are in velvet."	It is usual not to shoot such animals.
3. Change Clause (d) of Rule 6 into (e).	
4. Insert the following as Rule 5-A:--	
"The Conservator of Forests in Mysore is authorized to close absolutely to hunting, shooting, trapping or fishing any reserved forest or portion thereof, for conservancy purposes, where the extinction of any species is feared or where it may appear necessary either	I think it is better to reserve this power to ~~grant~~ Govt.

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to form a preserve for game or for other reasons."

5. Rule 9, Line 3.

For " on payment of rupees five" read "on payment of rupees ten"

I am not prepared to recommend an enhancement of the License fee. Reports already are complaining that the existing fee is prohibitive.

6. Insert the following as Rule 9-A:--

"Any owner or occupier of land holding a license to possess fire arms for the protection of his crops, shall not kill, capture or pursue or attempt to kill, capture or pursue game between sun-rise and sunset."

He must be allowed to pursue wounded game.

7. Insert the following as Exception ' under Rule 9:--

"The following classes of officers when travelling on Government duty in their respective jurisdictions are exempted from taking out a license and may stalk or track game in any forest open for shooting, obtaining a permit from the Conservator of Forests in Mysore or from any officer authorized by him in this behalf. They shall not beat or drive and shall observe the close seasons etc.. under the Rules:--

(1) all heads of Departments,

(2) all Deputy Commissioners and District Magistrates of Districts,

(3) Gazetted Forest Officers, and
(4) Gazetted Police Officers.

This rule has been proposed in accordance with the practice obtaining in British India. I strongly recommend the exemption.

8. Rule 10, Clause (a) Line 3.

For " on payment of an additional fees of Rs. 10/-" read " on payment of and an additional fee of Rs. 20/-".

For reasons given above, I am not prepared to recommend an enhancement of the License fee.

9. Rule 10, Clause (b) Lines 2.

For " on payment of a fee of Rs. 20 in addition to an initial fee of Rs. 5," read " on payment of a fee of Rs. 20 in addition to an initial fee of Rs. 10."

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Io. Insert the following as Rule 10—A:—

" (a) The aggregate of game of the following species allowed to be killed by any one person holding a license under the Game Rules during the calendar year for which the license is granted shall not exceed:—

(1) Two bison,

(2) Four cheetal,

(3) Two sambhar, and

(4) Two barking deer or muntjac.

This is a necessary provision.

(b) License holders may not enter any forests without previously giving notice to the local forest official. Every license holder must pay for a forest guard or game watcher to accompany him during the time he is within the Government forest limits, whose sole duty it will be to see that none of the Forest rules and Game laws are infringed by the license holder or his followers if any."

In some of the British Provinces, sportsmen have to take a guard with them always paying his usual pay.

Note:-- A bison, cheetal, sambhar or barking deer once wounded count towards the above limit whether brought to bag or not.

II. Insert the following as Rule 10. B:--

"Every holder of a license granted under the Game Rules shall keep an account of game killed by him, showing the sex of each, and the date on and the place at which it was killed."

I approve.

12. Insert the following as Rule 10. C.--

"The holder of the license granted either under game rules, or Arms Regulation for the protection of crop and self defence, shall not sit up over water or over salt-licks for the purpose of shooting any animal other than Carnivora."

I approve.

13. Insert the following as Rule 10. D.

"The holder of a license shall camp only on such regular camping grounds in the forest as may have been set apart by Forest authorities or in places specially pointed out to him by a forest officer."

I approve.

14. Rule 11, Line 5.

For "all Forest Officers including Forest guards " read "all Forest Officers including Forest guards and Game watchers."

I approve.

15. Rule 12, Line 2.

Between the words "same" and "when" insert the following:--

"and the account of Game killed by him."

16. Rule 12, Line 3.

After the word 'rule' add "and to deliver up the license together with the account of game killed, at the end of the calendar year for which the license is granted, to the authority empowered to grant the license or to the nearest (Gazetted) Forest or Police Officer."

(Note:-- Visitors should return the licenses together with the accounts of game killed by them to the officers mentioned above before they leave the Province.)

I would omit the word "Gazetted" and add at the end of the sentence " of not less than the Ranger's or Inspector's rank".

Sd/- K. Muthaiah,
Officer in Charge of Game Preserves in Mysore.

Sd/- M. Muthannah,
Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

A.M.S.

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Diary No. of letter replied to

No. J. 1695
Legis 12-07-4

Encl 1.

General and Revenue Secretariat
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To The Revenue Commr in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to the Correspondence ending with your letter No C. 11,8 & 11 dated 22nd October 1907, bringing to the notice of Govt the necessity for greater protection being afforded to Malnad ryots against depredations of their crops committed by wild animals, I am directed to forward herein a copy of the amendments proposed by the Officer in charge of the Game Preserves for amending the Game Rules and the remarks of the Conservator of Forests thereon, & to request that Govt may be favoured with an expression of your

over.

SUBJECT.

upon the Amendments proposed

2. With regard to your letter referred to above
2. You observe among other things (1) that the fee for a game licence is felt to be high and prohibitive (2) that the destruction of monkeys ~~is about~~ and parrots is absolutely prohibited and (3) that wild pigs &c have become a great nuisance in the Malwad and considerable damage is done to cultivation by their devastations -

2. With regard to your proposal that the fee for game licences should be reduced, (2) prohibition affecting monkeys in rule 1 of the game rules should be removed and (3) provision may be made in the same Regulation ~~for enabling~~ rights to kill pigs and other wild animals doing damage to crops:-

3. With regard to these, I am to state that Govt have already passed their sanction to reduce the licence fee to Rs 25; that the proviso in
5. rule 1 of the same Rules allows owners and occupiers of lands ~~rights~~ to kill monkeys when and parrots ~~ingraciably~~ doing damage to their fruit or other crops and that pigs do not come under the word "game" as defined in the Game & Fish Preservation Regulation and they Magistrate may therefore ~~accordingly~~ be killed wherever

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Diary No. of letter replied to _____

No. J. 1696
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General and Revenue Secretariat
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To The Commissioner of Works
in Mysore, Bangalore

Sir,

Date of issue 2-12-1907

Signed by Mr K. Nilakanta Rao

From the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore

I am directed to refer to your letter No. 3690 of 28/10/07 forwarding for the orders of Government certain proposals of the officer in charge of the Lalbagh Reserves for amending the Lalbagh Rules, with your remarks thereon, I am directed to forward herewith a copy of letter No. C148 dated the 2nd October 1907 bringing to notice the necessity for greater protection being afforded to Lalbagh plants against depredations of their crops by wild animals, and to request that

over.

SUBJECT.

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Sir, I have the honour to forward with an expression of your opinion on the several points raised by the Governor in his above letter and particularly on the following suggestions:—

1) Amendment of sec 12 of the same Ordinance so as to enable ryots to follow animals causing damage to their crops, to thickets and other places of shelter in the neighbourhood of their lands during the day and kill them or otherwise scare and drive them away.

2) Removal of the prohibition now existing against the destruction of game other than hares and the protected game during the close season i.e. between the 15th June and the 15th November.

3) Amendment of the provisions of Act I of 1893 so as to afford greater relief to ryots from the depredations of elephants and other wild animals.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(*Continuation Sheet draft form.*)

4) The granting of permits to villagers to beat for wild pigs and other animals which destroy crops, on certain days in the week so as to prevent them from molesting and causing damage to cultivation.

2. An early reply is requested.

I have the

Sd/-

for Secretary

SW 26/11/28

For S 30/11

Read Govt SW 30/11/28

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OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE,

No. 5688 *Dated Bangalore,* 6 — 1 — *1908.*

Legis D. no: 12 — 07
no: 6

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From

RAI BAHADUR M. MUTHANNAH, ESQ.,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore,

To

C.S. Balasundaram Iver, Esq.B.A.,
Secy. to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No J.1696/Legis:12-07-5 dated the 2nd December last, calling for an expression of my opinion on the proposals made by the Revenue Commissioner for the amendment of the Game Rules, I have the honour to offer the following remarks:-

(1) Amendment of Section 12 of the Game Regulation so as to afford greater facilities to ryots for shooting animals causing damage to their crops.

The wording of the Section seems to be perfectly clear,

and, in my opinion, leaves no room for misconstruction. The killing or capturing of animals is not limited to lands, the crops on which they are found doing damage, but the owners or occupiers can also pursue them. In their pursuit, they can enter thickets and other places of shelter and even State Forests in the neighbourhood. What is wanted is a clear exposition of the meaning of the word "pursuing" for the edification of subordinate officers and not an amendment of the Section. In order to give no room for misapprehension and excuse for unauthorised shooting, I would limit the area within which the pursuit may be conducted to quarter of a mile from the field, the permission being extended to State Forests from 1st June to 15th January.

(2) Relaxation of the Close season for the benefit of the ryots.

For reasons stated in the preceding para, no amendment of Rule 6 of the Game Rules seems to be called for. I would, however, strongly deprecate the indiscriminate shooting of Bison, which is a timid animal and rarely ventures beyond the limits of heavy and secluded forests. Sambhar and Pigs are the greatest depredators, but the latter does not come under the category of "Game" and can therefore be shot at all seasons

without a Game License.

(3) Amendment of the Elephant Preservation Act.

The power now given to ryots to shoot wild elephants found in their cultivated lands seems sufficient. To permit them to shoot elsewhere would lead to the slaughter of this useful animal for the sake of its tusk. The ryots can easily guard themselves against the depredations of elephants by digging a 4½ feet wide trench around their fields.

(4) Granting of permission to shoot Pigs and other animals by organised beats on certain days in the week.

The permission to shoot animals, other than Pigs, may be granted only to holders of Game Licenses and not to others- otherwise, the object of the Game Regulation will be defeated. Pigs, as already stated, may be shot anywhere, except within State Forests, and at all seasons. Permission may be accorded to shoot them in State Forests also from 1st June to 15th January after giving a week's clear notice to the Forest Range Officer.

have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant,

Conservator of Forests.

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No. 9954.

OFFICE OF THE REV. COMR. IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, 13th March 1908.

Legis F. no: 12-07
S. no: 7

FROM

A. RANGASWAMI IYENGAR, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General & Revenue Departments.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. J.1695/Legis. 12-07-4 dated 2nd December 1907 forwarding for my opinion a copy of the amendments proposed by the officer in charge of the Game Preserves, I have the honor to state that in my opinion the amendments do not touch many of the objections raised by me in my letter No. C. 148 dated 22nd October 1907.

2. In that letter it was stated that so long as the wording of section 12 of the Regulation stands as at present, no ryots can kill, capture or pursue any game except when it is actually causing damage and that it would be almost ~~be~~ impossible for the ryots to watch and protect the crops as the wild animals generally commit their ravages only during nights and it is scarcely possible for poor and ill-protected ryots to watch fields during nights in inclement weather and detect the grazing of wild beasts in parts of large fields in the dark . And this section stands unaltered.

3. Then, according to existing rules and the Regulation no ryot can pursue animals (that have caused ~~carried~~ destruction) into the Reserved Forests without a license and according to rule 10,b, now proposed to be added, no license holder may enter any forests without previously giving notice to the local Forest official and every license holder has to pay for a forest guard or game watcher to accompany him during the time he is within the Govern

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From

A. RANGASWAMI IYENGAR, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Revenue Commissioner
in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General & Revenue Departments

Dated 13th
Despatched 16 March 1908.
Received
No. 9954

Enclosure No. Nil

Opinion on the amendments --- proposed by the officer in charge of the game preserves, for amending the game rules.

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the ryot's wellbeing and the safety of his crops. Even the require-
ments of Forest Conservancy must be subordinated so far as they
curtail his rights of entrance into forests in the pursuit of -
wild animals escaping from his fields. The problem is no doubt
a difficult and complicated one. But I think if it is not pos-
sible to so modify the game preservation Regulation as to sa-
tisfy the needs of the forest and lay down the precautions neces
-sary to be taken in the case of the ~~&&&~~ men in search of game
for its own sake and also to afford complete protection to the
ryot who has to live amidst forest and game surroundings all --
through his life, an experiment may be tried i.e., of making a list
of large, influential and leading ryots in particular malnad -
tracts and exempting them and a few selected servants of theirs
(of whom a full list may be maintained) from the operations of
the game preservation Regulation and of giving them full liberty
to pursue and kill wild animals capable of destroying crops when
found on their fields or in their vicinity within a radius of -
so many miles without a license and without the permission of -
the forest officers. The ryots so exempted may be required --
subject to suitable penalties to report to the village officers
or to the nearest police officer the particulars of the animals destroyed by them within 24 hours
after the occurrence.

After an actual experience of the system in some --
selected tracts it may be modified and extended, if it works --
well.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For Revenue Commissioner

H.N.R.

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No. J 3216

20/4/07

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To The Secretary Agriculture Industries & Fish Preservation Dept Fisheries Director Mr. Jansenville of Fisheries in Agriculture, Bangalore

Date of issue 20-4-07

Signed by Krishnamurthy

Paper under disposal

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith for your information a copy of Mr. Agriculture Department letter No. 5888 of 6th Jan 1908 regarding the amendment of game regulations and rules framed thereunder, and to request that you will be good enough to forward to Government your opinion on the proposals contained in the said letter.

over.

SUBJECT.

on the proposals of the officer
in charge of the game Reserves
to amend Clause 2 of Rule 3
and to the addition of a rule
after rule 10 in regard to the
number of certain specified species
of game to be killed in a Calendar
year by a licensee holder.
The rules existing in the British
Indian Provinces, such as Madras,
Central Provinces and Coorg
in the matter of exemption to
be granted to certain classes
of persons from taking out game
licenses may also be [illegible] amended. (Vide proposal 1 of the officer in charge of the game Reserves)

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for Secretary

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Office of the Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

No. Dated Bangalore, ... June 1909.

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From

RAI BAHADUR. M. MUTHANNAH, ESQUIRE,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore,

BANGALORE.

To

C. S. BALASUNDARAM AIYER, ESQUIRE, B. A.,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments,

BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. J.3216/Logis.12-07-8 dated the 20th April last, I have the honor to forward herewith, as directed therein, for the information of Government the marginally noted correspondence in original, together with extracts of Game Rules in force in (1) Assam, (2) Bengal, (3) Central Provinces and (4) United Provinces. exempting certain classes of Officers from the liability of taking shooting licenses.

1. Letter dated 17-5-'09, from the Honorary Secretary Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Assiciation.
2. Letter dated 5-5-'09, from Mr. H.H. Sparkes, with its enclosure.
3. Letter No. 5737 dated the 2nd June 1909, from the District Magistrate, Shimoga.
4. Letter No. 7180/Mis.689, dated 15-6-1909, from the Inspector-General of Police, with its enclosure.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

A.M.S/22-6-'09.

8. A scale of fees as under will be charged for special permits issued under Rule 5.--

To non-residents.	Rs.50
Residents of Assam outside the District in which the forests are situated.	Rs.30
Residents of the District.	Rs.20

Gazetted Forest Officers, Officers of the Assam Commission, and Gazetted Officers of the Assam Police, having to discharge the duties under the Forest Regulation, are exempted from taking out permits, but will be bound by Rules 1 and 2 and by any orders issued under Rules 11 and 12.

11. If the permit fixes a limit to the number of animals to be killed a permit holder shall be bound by such limit.

12. The Conservator of Forests may make rules to prevent the killing of immature animals other than carnivorous animals, and a permit holder shall be bound by such rules.

II. BENGAL.

2. Subject to the provisions of the Elephants Preservation Act (VI of 1879), no hunting, shooting, fishing, snaring or trapping of any description shall be allowed, save under a license granted by the Conservator of Forests or the Forest Officer in charge of the Forest Division concerned, when such Officer is of a rank not below that of an Assistant Conservator, to be current for one year from the date of its issue.

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Provided, also, that a gazetted officer of Government having jurisdiction in the locality in which any reserved or protected Forest is situated, shall not be required to take out a license under this rule, but shall apply to the District Officer for a permit.

III. CENTRAL PROVINCES.

Rules relating to shooting, etc., in Government Reserved Forests in the Central Provinces.

5. The following classes of officers, when travelling on duty, are exempted from taking out a permit:--

All Heads of Departments;
Officers of the Central Provinces Commission;
Gazetted Forest Officers;
Gazetted Officers of the Central Provinces Police.

Officers exempted from taking out a permit, as also the district permit holders, may stalk or track in any forest open for shooting, but they shall not tie up, beat or drive in any block for which a block permit has been issued, provided the holder of such permit is himself present in the area covered by his permit. If such exempted officers or district permit holders wish to reserve entirely any given block for their own sport, they must take out a block permit for the same.

IV. UNITED PROVINCES.

E X E M P T I O N S.

11. Within their charge s the following persons are permitted to hunt, shoot or fish on the same conditions as holders of of ordinary permits without actually taking out such permits:--

(1) Officers of the Indian Civil Service, Provincia Civil Service, Forest Officers, Gazetted Officers of the Public Works, Police, Medical, Opium and Survey departments and persons not exceeding three in number accompanying them.

This exemption is granted for the convenience of officers employed in the district in which the forests are situated, or whose duties take them to the neighbourhood of the forests.

(2) Within the limits of the Dehra Dun and Saharanpur forest divisions.

(a) English commissioned officers of the 2nd Prince Wales' Own Gurkhas.

(b) Native commissioned officers and men holding permits issued by the officers commanding the two battalions of the above regimen who will send copies of all such permits to the divisional forest officer concerned.

(3) In the Dehra Dun district within the areas leased to the Dehra Dun Fishing Association, the members of the Association are permitted to fish without permits.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE
Regd. No. 9325
Date 16.6.09

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Office of the
Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.
Dated Bangalore, 15th June 1909.

16/6/09 ll

From,

D. Devaraj Urs Esquire,
Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.

To,

Mr. M.Muthanna, R.B.,
Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.9233-40 dated 4-5-09, forwarding for my opinion certain additions and amendments proposed to be made in the Mysore Game rules, I have the honor to forward herewith a memo containing my views thereon.

I have the honor to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

For Inspector-General of Police.

M e m o.

Remarks of the Inspector-General of Police on the addition and amendments proposed by the Officer in charge of Game Preserves in the Mysore Game Rules.

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Rule 3 clause 2.

It is not clear whether this addition to the existing rules as to the maximum number of antelopes that may be killed in one year, refers to the number in one year for the District, or to that which may be killed by one license holder in a year. If it means the former, the wording of the amendment as given by the Conservator is clearer.

I believe the restriction as to the number to be killed should be in reference to each individual in the District who holds a license. There may be in a District, say Bangalore 10 license holders. They cannot be restricted to kill 5 antelopes between them. In this view the amendment may be worded as follows:-

"The maximum number of antelopes that may be shot in any one year by one person holding a license, may not exceed 5 in any one District. I am not for making any distinction.

10.A.(a). This provision is necessary:-

But it would be appropriate to bring after Rule 3 clause 2. 10.A.(b).

Under the circumstances mentioned by the Conservator of Forests, it may be adopted here also, as the Forest guard accompanies the sportman in his interests as a guide to him.

For Inspector-General of Police.

P.S.

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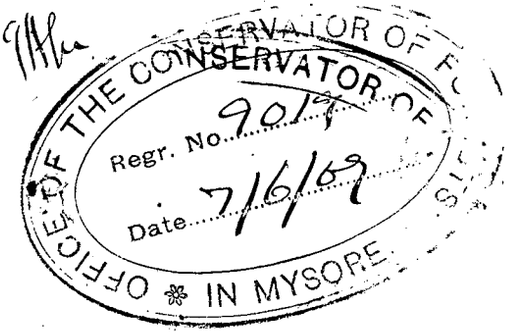

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District Magistrate's Office
Shimoga

No: 5737.

Dated, Camp Mysore,
2nd June 1909.

From

M. Narain Rao Esquire.
District Magistrate

To,

M. Muttanna Esquire. B.A.
Conservator of Forests
in Mysore

Sir,

Adverting to your letter no: 9233-40 dated 4th May 1909 re- the amendment of the Mysore Game Rules, I have the honor to state that the additions proposed by the Officer in charge of the Game Preserves are very desirable and may be adopted, the addendum to Rule 3 clause 2 being worded as follows:-

"The maximum no: of bucks for the shooting of which permission

may

may be given in any one year, however, may not exceed 5 in Mysore, Bangalore, Kapan and Kadur Districts and 10 in other Districts

2 While on this subject, I beg to bring to notice that the rule requiring the licensee to report the number of bucks shot under the license is honored more in the breach than in the observance. It would be well to attach a penalty for failure to make the report.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
M. Narain Rao
District Magistrate
Shimoga

Mysore Game & Fish Preservation Association

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a moments notice, as may easily happen in the case of planters residing near reserve Forests, & 2ndly there is a great objection to having to pay for the service of a man who is protecting Govt interests. The license fee ought to cover this charge.

Further there would be objection to a Forest Ofcr accompanying a person shooting, say on the Ghauts where no food is obtainable, & no shelter at hand. The Shooter can hardly be expected to provide these for the Guard. We therefore think that the giving of written notice to the local Forest Officer should at any rate be sufficient

Yours faithfully

Thos Hunt

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Copy of Extracts.

Proposed additions and amendments to Game Rules published under Notification No. 9007-Legis:56, dated the 11th December 1901, and Notification No. J.1977-Legis:23-06-2, dated the 10th January 1907.

Game Officer's Proposals.	Remarks of the Conservator of Forests.
Rule 3, Clause 2.	
Insert the following between the first and second sentences:--	
"The maximum number of antelopes, for which permission may be given to be shot to the Licensee holders by the District Magistrates of Mysore, Bangalore, Hassan and Kadur should not exceed 5 in each of the above Districts and 10 in the other Districts".	The addendum may be worded as follows:-- The maximum number of antelopes that may be shot in any one year, however, may not exceed 5 in Mysore, Bangalore, Hassan and Kadur Districts and 10 in the other Districts". I would limit each licensee to 4 blk buck in Mysore & Hassan Districts & 6 in any other dist
x x x x x x x x x x x	x x x x x x x x x x x x
10. Insert the following as Rule 10--A:--	
"(a) The aggregate of game of the following species allowed to be killed by any one person holding a license under the Game Rules during the calendar year for which the license is granted shall not exceed:- (1) Two bison, (2) Four cheetal, (3) Two sambhar, and (4) Two barking deer or muntjac.	This is a necessary provision. This may be carried out & I would add only 2 four horned antelope

(5) License holders may not enter any forests without pre-viously giving notice to the local forest official. Every license holder must pay for a forest Guard or Game Watcher to accompany him during the time he is within the Government forest limits, whose sole duty it will be to see that none of the Forest rules and Game Laws are infringed by the license holder or his followers if any".

In some of the British Provinces sportsmen have to take a Guard with them always paying his usual pay.

This may be proposed, that a State forests, not in the Forests

NOTE:-- A bison, cheetal, sambhar or barking deer once wounded count towards the above limit whether brought to bag or not.

I concur

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OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

NO. 894 Encl DATED BANGALORE, 26th JULY 1909.

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FROM

RAI BAHADUR. M. MUTHANNAH, ESQUIRE,

CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE,

BANGALORE.

TO

K. S. CHANDRASEKHARA AIYER, ESQUIRE, B.A., B.L.,

SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE

MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS,

BANGALORE.

SIR,

IN CONTINUATION OF MY LETTER NO. 10786 DATED THE 23RD JUNE 1909, I HAVE THE HONOUR TO FORWARD HEREWITH, COPY OF LETTER NO. 51/09 DATED THE 21ST INSTANT, FROM THE HONORARY SECRETARY, NORTH MYSORE PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION, EXPRESSING THE OPINION OF THE ASSOCIATION ON THE PROPOSED ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE MYSORE GAME RULES.

2. I BEG TO ADD THAT THIS COMMUNICATION IS APPARENTLY INTENDED TO SHEW THE DISSATISFACTION OF THE EUROPEAN PLANTING COMMUNITY WITH THE WAY IN WHICH THE GAME LAWS ARE WORKED.

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEDIENT SERVANT,

M. Muthannah

CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE.

A.M.S/24-7-'09.

Copy of letter No. 51/09 dated the 21st July 1909, from the Honorary Secretary, North Mysore Planters' Association, to the Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

Encl. to Lr.

With reference to your letter No. 9233-40 of the 4th May containing proposed additions and amendments to the Mysore Game Rules.

I have the honour to inform you that the following resolution was passed at the quarterly meeting of this Association held at Balehonnur on the 12th instant:--

"That this Association considers, it is not advisable, at present, to amend the Game Rules, which, would only affect the few License Holders, who form an inconsiderable minority. The new license holders, would continue to destroy Game, as hitherto regardless of age, sex or season. It is the opinion of this Association that, Government should at once take steps to enforce the existing Game Rules, which, so far, it has not done; when this is accomplished, it will be time to consider the question of placing further restrictions on License holders"

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

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OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE,

No. 1888 *Dated Bangalore,* 20th August *1909.*

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From

RAI BAHADUR. M. MUTHANNAH, ESQ.,
Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

K. S. Chandrasekhara Aiyer, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja
of Mysore, General and Revenue Departments,
BANGALORE.

SIR,

In continuation of my letter No. 894, dated the 26th July last, I have the honour to forward herewith, copy of letter No. 775, dated the 14/17th August 1909, from the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore, regarding the proposed additions and amendments to the Game Rules.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

A.M.S/19-8-'09.

1909.

From

The Conservator of Forests in

Mysore.

To

The Secretary to Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of

Mysore General and Revenue

Departments, Bangalore.

No.

Dated, August 1909.

Forwarding copy of letter No. 775 dated the 14/17th August 1909, from the Deputy Commissioner Mysore, regarding the amendment of the Mysore Game Rules.

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OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE,

No. 5886

Dated Bangalore, 20th January 1910.

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From

RAI BAHADUR M. MUTHANNA, ESQ.,

Conservator of Forests in Mys

To

L. S. Balasundaram Iyer. Esquire B.A.
Offg: Secretary to the Government
of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore
General and Revenue Depts.

SIR,

In continuation of my letter No 1888 dated 20th August last, I have the honor to forward herewith Copy of letter No. 848 dated the 12th January 1910, together with copy of its enclosure from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur expressing views on the proposed

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Copy of letter no. 848 dated the 12th January 1910 from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District to the Conservator of Forests in Mysore

Encl: to D 12

With reference to your letter No. 9233-40 dated 4th May 1909, forwarding extracts from the proposals made by the Officer in charge of Game Preserves for the amendment of the Mysore Game Rules and inviting my opinion thereon, I have the honor to state that in order to prevent wholesale and needless destruction of Game by Licensees, it is certainly desirable to restrict the number of the different kinds of Game which a licensee can shoot in a year. The maximum number proposed by the Game and Fish Preservation Association in their letter to me dated 28th May 09 (copy enclosed) appears to be reasonable and may be adopted.

2 - With regard to the proposal of the officer in charge of Game Preserves, that a licensee should not enter the forest except in the company of a Forest official, the objection

Copy of letter dated 28th May 1909 from Mr. Thomas Hunt, Secretary of the Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Association, Hirebalaloo, Kadur District to the Deputy Commissioner Kadur District.

I have the honor to acknowledge your No. 1417 and beg to state I have already replied direct to the Government of Mysore, from whom we received a copy of the Circular letter No 9233-40 to the following effect. In reply to —

Rule 3. Clause 2. "That the maximum no: of antelope that may be shot by a license holder, may not exceed 6 (in the whole of State)".

Rule 10. A. (a). The aggregate of Game of following species all to be killed by a Licen. holder during one yr shall not exceed:-
(1). 2 Bison. (2) 4. Cheetal. (3) 4 Sambur. (4) 6 Barking

(b) This rule is likely to cause friction, 1st owing to the difficulties of getting help of a local forest offr

at a moments notice, as may easily occur, when Planters go off at a moments notice into forests adjoining their estate. Second:— The difficulty of providing shelter, say on the Ghats, for the guard when far from any villages. Third:— Objection to paying for the services of a man who is protecting Government interests should be covered by licence fee. Notice in writing of your intention to enter forest should be sufficient

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Conservator of Forests

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Legis File No. ~~36 08~~ 6

Serial No. 13

Diary No. of letter replied to .....

No. 3572

General and Revenue Secretariat

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, *the*

To

The Conservator of Forests in Mysore

Sir

Date of issue 20/1/07

Signed by: W^m G. ~~Srinivasa~~ l.

I am directed to request you to be so good as to inform Govt if the antelopes available for sport are so scarce in the State ~~that every~~ as to make it inadvisible to allow every sportsman who applies for a licence to shoot one or two of them.

over.

SUBJECT.

~~this case~~

a year. ~~If that is so~~ If such permission could be
shooting of
then antelopes will have
to be absolutely prohibited
for a certain term of
years ~~and~~ so as to allow
them to multiply and
~~In that case~~ the
number of years (not
exceeding 5 years at a time)
during which protection is
also
needed may be indicated

I am also to enquire
the number of cases of
in the State
poaching for game which
have been detected and
prosecuted within the
past five years.

As the information is
very urgently
required in connection
with the revision of the
Game Rules now before
and is very urgent
Government, I am to
request that a reply may

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(*Continuation sheet draft form.*)

be sent to this Office
before the evening of
Tuesday the 23rd instant.
I have &c.
18 20 1
For Secretary to
Govt G.D.

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1916-17
SECTION Legis
FILE No. 12-07
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Rev. Forests

OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE

No. 8015 *Bangalore, dated* 23rd January 1917.

GEN. & REV. SEC. III 24 JAN 1917

Enclosures

From

M. G. Rama Rao, Esq., B.A.,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

.....D...M...N..a..r..a..si..n..g..a... .R..a..o.. ,.....Esq.,B.A.,B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General @@@@@@@@ Department@

Legis 4-20
GEN. & REV. SEC. III JUDICIAL 24 JAN 1917

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. J.2572/Legis.12-07-13 dated the 20th instant, I have the honour to state that while antilopes are very scarce in some Districts, the conditions are not quite so bad in others. My proposal to restrict their annual shooting to five in some Districts and to ten in others had for its object, the partial allaying of the clamour that a total prohibition would raise from sportsmen by fixing the maximum number that could be shot in a year consistent with the preservation and multiplication of the species. If the steering of a middle course does not commend itself to Government, the only other alternative would be to altogether prohibit their shooting for a period of five years in the Districts of Mysore, Bangalore, Kadur and Hassan, where they require absolute protection. In the other Districts, each sportsman may be permitted to shoot not more than one mature head with horns not less than 15" in a year under the existing safeguards.

2. The

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2. The number of cases detected and prosecuted in the State for poaching of Game is not available in my office as no information is received from the District Magistrates.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Conservator of Forests.

M.N.

Immediate

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Legis File No. 1207
Serial No. 15

25/1

Diary No. *of letter replied to* .....

No. J 2632-39

General and Revenue Secretariat
( )
, the 191 .

To
The Dt Magistrate
*
District

Date of issue 25/1/17

Signed by W. E. Jayaram
Dyr

, all the Dt Magistrates

Sir

I am directed to request you to be so good as to forward to this Office information shewing the No of cases detected and prosecuted in your District for poaching of game under the Game laws during each of the last five years. The matter may kindly be treated

over.

SUBJECT.

Jan 9 17

as very urgent

I have &c.

W. J. 25/1/17

For Secretary to Govt

G. D.

25-1-17

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District.

Dated Chitaldrug, 27th January 1917.
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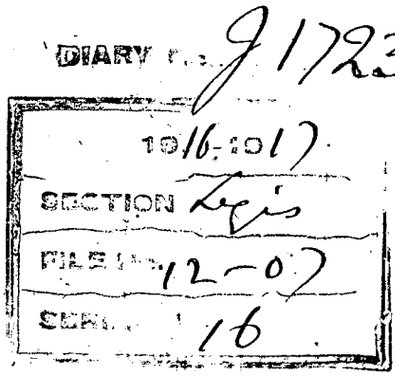
From

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire B. A.
Deputy Commissioner,
CHITALDRUG



To

D. M. Narasinga Rao Esquire B. A., B. L.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore
General Department, Bangalore.

S i r,

Adverting to your letter No. J 2632-39/ Legis 10-07-15 dated 25th instant calling for information showing the number of cases detected and prosecuted under the Game Laws during the past five years, I have the honor to state that only one case was detected ~~dected~~ in 1914 and the accused was prosecuted for an offence under section 3 of the Game and fish preservation Regulation with the result that a fine of Rs. 5/- was imposed by the Amildar's Magiatrate of Holalkere Taluk.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C S Balasundaram Iyer
Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

MR

GEN. & REV. DEPT.
30 JAN 1917

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From The District Magistrate
Chitaldrug District

To The Secretary to the Govt of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General Department
Bangalore.

Dated 29th January 1917
Despatched

Received

General No. D. Dis. 117 Jud of 16–17
No.

Enclosure No:

Furnishing the information regarding the number of cases detected and prosecuted under the Game Laws during the last 5 years.

GEN. & REV. DEPT.
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30 JAN 1917

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Office of the District Magistrate,

Kadur District.

Dated Chikmagalur, 30th January 1917.

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FILE No. 12-07

SERIAL No. 17

From,

L. Krishna Rao, Esquire.,
District Magistrate,
Kadur District.

To,

D. M. Narasinga Rao, Esquire., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness the
Maharaja of Mysore, General Department,
B A N G A L O R E.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. J.2632-39/Legis.12-07-15 of the 25th Instant, I have the honor to submit herewith a statement showing the number of cases instituted and disposed of in this District under the Game Laws during the past five years.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

For District Magistrate,
Kadur District.

C.M.K.

GPB—50,000—17-9-15

19 31 JAN 1917

From

The Deputy Commissioner
Kadur District

To

The Secretary to Govt
General Dept
Bangalore.

Dated 30.1.17

Despatched 30.1.17.

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General No. Ho c-938
No. 16.1.17

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT III JUDICIAL 1 FEB 1917

Enclosure No. One.

Submitting a Statement showing the number of cases instituted and disposed of in this District under game laws.

Statement showing the number of cases brought to trial and disposed of during the past five years under the Game Laws in the Kadur District.

No.	Name of Court.	Year.	Total cases.		Convicted.		Discharged or acquitted.		Pending.		REMARKS.
			Cases	Persons.	Cases.	Persons	Cases.	Persons	Cases	Persons.	
1.	..... Nil.....	1912.	...	...	.....	.....	Nil.....				@ Pending at the close of the year 1913, The case was first instituted under the Game Regulation but subsequently disposed of under the Arms Regulation.
2.	Amildar Magistrate's Court, Mudigere.	1913.	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	
	Treasury Assistant Commissioner & 1st class Magistrate, Chikmagalur.	Do.	1	10	0	0	0	0	1	10	
3.	Treasury Assistant Commissioner & 1st class Magistrate, Chikmagalur.	1914.	@ 1	10	1	10	0	0	0	0	
	Amildar Magistrate's Court, Mudigere Taluk.	Do.	2	5	2	5	0	0	0	0	@ Including one case and one person that was pending at the close of the last year 1915.
4.	Amildar Magistrate's Court, Mudigere Taluk.	1915.	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	
5.	Amildar Magistrate's Court, Mudigere Taluk.	1916.	@ 3	17	1	1	2	16	0	0	
	Deputy Amildar Magistrate, Narasimharajapur Sub Taluk.	Do.	3	9	3	9	0	0	0	0	

Dated Chikmagalur,

30-1-1917.

Note:- During the past five years ten cases involving 42 persons were dealt with.

For District Magistrate,

Kadur District.

Immediate

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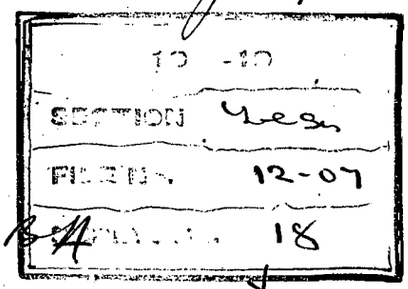
Office of the District
magistrate, Bangalore
Dated 31st January 1917 Entry No J 1733.



From

M. Zahiruddin Mecci Esqr. B.A.
District magistrate
Bangalore

To

D. M. Narasinja Row Esqr. B.A.B.L.
Secretary to Government of Mysore
General Dept

Sir,

As required in your letter No 2632-39 Legis 12-07-15 Dated 25th January 1917, I have the honor to ~~state~~ note in the margin the No of cases prosecuted for poaching game in the District during each of the past five years. Information as to the No of cases detected has been called for from the Superintendent of Police.

On receipt of his reply, the same will be submitted

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
Nundaraja Urs
for District magistrate
(absent from station)

i. Details of cases prosecuted under Game Registration

Calendar year	No of cases	No of persons	Result
1912	nil	-	-
1913	nil	-	-
1914	1	1	Convicted & fined Rs 50/-
1915	2	2	convicted 1 person fined Rs 10/- & another Rs 25/-
1916	nil		

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From
The District Magistrate,
Bangalore Dist.

To
The Secretary to the Governm
of Mysore,
General Dépt.

Dated

Despatched 31st Jan 1917 Bangalore

Received

General No. D. Dis 632

No.

Enclosure No.

Stating that on receipt of information from the Dist. Supt. of Police, Bangalore Dist. regardi the number of cases prosecuted for poaching game, the same will be submitted.

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No D. Dis No 132
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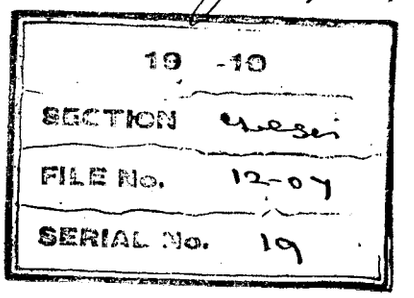
U R G E N T.

Office of the District Magistrate,

Tumkur District,

Dated, Tumkur, the 31st January 1917.

DIARY No. J 1734



From

K. Chandy, Esqr., B.A.,

District Magistrate,

Tumkur District.

To

D. M. Narasinga Rao, Esqr., B.A.,B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of His Highness the

Maharaja of Mysore, General Department

B A N G A L O R E.

S i r,

. As directed in your letter No.J.2632-9/Legis.12-07-15 dated 25th January 1917, I have the honour to forward herewith a statement showing the number of cases detected and prosecuted in this District for poaching of game under the Game Laws during each of the past five years.

I have the honour to be

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

for District Magistrate, (on tour)

Tumkur District.

T.K.N.

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From

The District Magistrate,

Tumkur District.

To

The Secretary to Government,

General Department, Bangalore.

Dated 31st January 1917.

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No. D-Dis. No. 133 Jud. 1916-17

Enclosure No. One.

Forwards a statement showing the number of cases detected and prosecuted for poaching of game under the Game Laws during each of the past five years.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT III JUDICIAL 9 FEB 1917

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Statement Showing the cases dealt with under the game Laws during each of the Past 5 years in the Tumkur District 1916-17

Encl. to G.O. No. 17

Serial No.	Taluk	Section under which charged	Date and place of occurrence	Particulars of conviction	Remarks
1	Tumkur	Section 8 of Game Regulation	On 8.5.1913 at Balamkatte in Tumkur Town	The accused Siddayya and 4 others were convicted and sentenced by the Treasury Assistant Commissioner and I Class Magistrate to pay a fine of Rs 2/- each, in default to suffer 2 days Simple Imprisonment on 5.7.1913.	

K. Chandy
District Magistrate

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SERIAL No. 20

No.H.C.269 Judl.

Office of the District Magistrate,

Dated Shimoga 31st January 1917.

From

A.Subramanya Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,

District Magistrate.

Shimoga.

To

D.M.Narasinga Rao, Esquire, B.A.B.L.,

Secretary to Government,

General Department,

Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No.J.2632-39/Legis.12-07-15 dated 25th instant, I have the honor to append in the margin the particulars of information regarding the number of cases detected and prosecuted in this district under the Game laws during each of the past 5 years.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

District Magistrate,

Shimoga.

CNR.

Years.	No.detected and prosecuted. Cases.	Persons.	No.acquitted. Cases	-persons.	No.convicted. Cases - persons		
~~1912~~	1	5	1	5			
1913	3	48	3	18			
1914	3	20			19	9	1 -4
1915							
1916							

Relates to illicit fishing in a tank in Shikarpur Taluk.
1 was fined Rs 25/-
2 were do Rs 10/- each.
26 do do Rs 5/- each.
1 do do Rs 3/- each.
In appeal the conviction against 28 persons were set aside.
One case relates to illicit fishing and ended in 1915 in acquittal.

GPB—50,000—17-9-15

1916-17.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT FEB 1917

From

The District Magistrate,

Shimoga.

To The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore

General Department, Bangalore.

Dated 31st Jany. 1917.

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General No. H.C. 269 Judl III

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Enclosure No.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT JUDICIAL 5 FEB 1917

Furnishes certain particular
re the number of cases detected and pr
secuted in this district under the gam
laws during each of the past 5 years.

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1916-1917
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FILE No. 12-07
SERIAL No. 3-1

Immediate.

No. C. 138.
Enclosure.

Office of the District Magistrate,
Kolar District,
Dated Camp Tadigol, the 2nd February 1917.

From

P. F. Bowring, Esquire., I.C.S.,
District Magistrate, Kolar Dist.

To

D.M. Narasinga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No.J.2632-39/Legis.12-07-15 dated 25th January 1917, calling for information regarding the number of cases detected and prosecuted in this District for poaching game under the Game Laws during the past five years, I have the honor to forward herewith a statement containing the information called for therein, and to remark that on account of certain steps taken by me, the number of game licenses taken out has risen considerably during the last two years as may be seen by a reference to the figures given in the margin.

Year	No. of licenses taken.
1914.	12.
1915.	55
1916.	49.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

P. F. Bowring

District Magistrate
Kolar District.

W.D. 0244—GPB—6,00,000—19-5-16—S.

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GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
5 FEB 1917

From

The District Magistrate
Kolar District.

To

The Secretary to the Govern-
ment of Mysore,
General Department,
Bangalore.

Dated

Despatched

Received 2nd February 1917

General No. C. 138 Jud. III
No.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
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Enclosure No. One

Furnishing information regarding the number of cases prosecuted under the game laws during the last five years.

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Statement Showing the number of Cases detected and prosecuted for poaching of Game under Game laws during the past 5 years in the District of Kolar

Year Cal: & Fasli:	Detected and Prosecuted		Convicted		Discharged Acquitted		Remarks
	Cases	Persons	Cases	Persons	Cases	Persons	
1912	"	"	"	"	"	"	
1913	1	18	"	"	1	18	
1914	"	"	"	"	"	"	
1915	"	"	"	"	"	"	
1916	1	1	1	1	"	"	One Mahamad Isac was prosecuted by the Corporation Police before the Special Magistrate Kolar and was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs 5/- in default to two weeks Simple Imprisonment under Section 8 of the Regulation on 24-4-1916.

J. R. Bowring

District Magistrate
Kolar District

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No. 111/S

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Hassan District,

Dated Hassan, 3rd February 1917.

From

C.Venkata Rao, Esquire, B.A.,
Offg. Deputy Commissioner
Hassan District.

To

D.M.Narasinga Rao, Esquire, B.A.B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.J.2632-39/Legis 12-07-15 dated 25th January 1917, I have the honor to submit herewith a statement showing the number of cases detected and prosecuted in the District for poaching of game during the past 5 years.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Venkatarao
Offg. Deputy Commissioner
Hassan District.

W.D. 3241—GPB—6,00,000

1916-17

From

C.Venkata Rao,Esquire,B.A.
Deputy Commissioner
Hassan District

To

D.M.Narasinga Rao,Esquire,B.A.B.L.
Secretary to the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General Department,
Bangalore

Dated 3rd February 1917.

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General No. Dis 111

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Enclosure No. One.

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JUDICIAL
8 FEB 1917

SUBJECT.

Submitting a statement of cases

..ied for poaching of game in the Hassa

District.

Encl: to N. 22

Statement Showing Number of Cases detected and prosecuted for poaching of game

Year	Cases	Persons	Remarks
1912	3	6	
1913	9	12	
1914	—	—	
1915	2	2	
1916	2	2	
Total	16	22	

Asst: Deputy Commissioner

D.O. No. 169 52/17 Office of the District Magistrate, Mysore Distt.
9/16.17

Dated, Mysore, 2nd February 1917.

DIARY No. J1771.

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SECTION Legis
FILE No. 12-07
SERIAL No. 23

From

K. Matthan, Esquire., B.A.,
District Magistrate,
Mysore District.

To

D.M. Narasinga Rao, Esquire., B.A. B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His
Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith the statement showing the number of cases detected and prosecuted for poaching of game under the Game Laws during each of the past five years as called for in your No. J.2632-39 Legis.12-07-15 dated 25th January 1917.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.
K. Matthan
District Magistrate,
Mysore District.
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From

The District Magistrate,

Mysore District.

To

The Secretary to Government,
General Department,
Bangalore.

Dated 2nd Februaty 1917.

Despatched 5 Feby 1917.

Received

General No. D.Dis 169/B 16.17

No.

Enclosure No. 1

Re the Statement showing the No. of cases detected and prosecuted for poaching of game under Game Laws during each of the past five years.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
III.
JUDICIAL
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Encl: 23

Statement of cases detected and prosecuted in the Mysore district under the Game and Fish Preservation Regulation during the past five years.

year	Cases detected and prosecuted.		How disposed of
	No. of	No. of persons involved.	
1911	4	6	3 cases were convicted and 1 case was acquitted. Fine of Rs. 28 was realized.
1912	1	1	The case was convicted. Fine of Rs. 2 was realized.
1913	Nil		
1914	6	26	Five cases involving 23 persons ended in conviction. Fine of Rs. 7-14-0 was realized.
1915	1	1	Ended in conviction. Fine of Rs. 0-8-0 was realized.

M. Seshadri
Ag. District Magistrate,
Mysore District.

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Notification. J 3399 Legis 12-07-24

In exercise of the powers conferred by the Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Regulation, 1901, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to direct that the Rules published with Notification 9007-Legis.56 dated 11th December 1901 as amended from time to time be further amended as follows:-

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
No 886
TRANSL. SEC.
19 MAR 1917

Rule 3-"3 (1) The killing or capture of birds with bright colored plumage and of pea-fowl is prohibited for a further period ending with the 30th June 1917.

The killing or capture of antelope is prohibited for a period of five years absolutely in the Districts of Mysore, Bangalore, Kadur and Hassan and subject to the provision in para 2 of the rule in the other Districts.

(2) The District Magistrate may, on the application of a game license under these rules grant written permission to such holder to shoot within the year for which the license was granted only one mature antelope with horns not less than 15 inches long. A report of the antelope shot shall be furnished to the District Magistrate by the license-holder without unreasonable delay."

Rule 6. The following shall be inserted as clause (d) to this rule the present clause (d) being changed to clause (e) viz.-

"(d) Any mature male sambhar or

spotted deer, if it is hornless or its horns are in velvet."

Rule 9. The following shall be inserted as an exception to this rule.

"Exception.- The following classes of officers when travelling on Government duty in their respective jurisdiction are exempted from taking out a license and may stalk or track game in any forest open for shooting, obtaining a permit from the Conservator of Forests in Mysore or from any officer authorised by him in this behalf. They should not beat or drive and shall observe the close seasons and other restrictions under the Rules.

(1) All Heads of Departments.
(2) All Deputy Commissioners and District Magistrates of Districts,
(3) Gazetted Forest Officers, and
(4) Gazetted Police Officers."

New Rules 10 C & 10 D and 10 E.

After Rule 10 B the following shall be inserted as Rules 10 C, 10 D and 10 E.

"10 C (a) The aggregate of game of the following species allowed to be --- killed by any one person holding a license under these rules during the calendar year for which the license is granted shall not exceed-

(1) two bison,
(2) four chital,

(3) two sambhar, and

(4) two barking deer or Muntjac.

These restrictions shall be in force for a period of five years from the date of this Notification.

(b) License holders shall not enter any forest without previously giving notice to the local forest official of their intention to shoot therein.

Note.-- A bison, chital, sambhar, or barking deer once wounded counts towards the above limit whether brought to bag or not.

10. D. The holder of the license granted either under Game Rules or Arms Regulation for the protection of crop and self defence, shall not sit up over water or over salt-licks for the purpose of shooting any animal other than carnivora.

10. E. The holder of a license shall camp only on such regular camping grounds in the forest as may have been set apart by forest authorities or in places specially pointed out to him by a forest officer.

Notification. F 3400 Leg: 12-07-25

The following rules for the grant of rewards to informants in cases of infringment of Game Laws are sanctioned by Government

Rules for the grant of Rewards to informers and others who may render service to Government by detecting or preventing breaches of Game Laws :-

(1) In any case in which a penalty or confiscation has been adjudged by competent authority under any law for the time being in force for the prevention of indiscriminate destruction of wild animals and birds and for the protection of game and fish in Mysore, the Conservator of Forests may grant, in such proportions as he thinks fit, to any person, or persons who may have contributed to the conviction of the offender or to the seizure of the property so confiscated, a reward not exceeding the sale proceeds or assessed value of the animal, bird or property confiscated plus the amount for which any other article confiscated may sell plus the amount of any fine imposed therein.

Provided always that the aggregate amount of the rewards thus granted in any one case, shall not exceed rupees fifty.

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(2) In any case in which any person or persons may have been convicted of an offence against the Game Laws but in which no penalty or confiscation may have been imposed or realised or in which any person has performed any service of special merit in respect of the prevention or detection of any offence against the Game Laws, rewards may be granted to an aggregate amount of Rs. twenty five.

(3) The Conservator of Forests may incur at his discretion an expenditure not exceeding Rupees fifteen in each case for information which may lead to the prevention or detection of any offence against the Game Laws.

(4) Proposals for the grant of rewards and the incurring of expenditure in excess of the sums above set forth, should be reported for sanction of Government.

(5) Recommendation rolls for payment of rewards should be submitted to the Conservator of Forests after final conviction of the offenders in the Appellate Court, if an appeal has been presented, or after the period allowed for presenting the appeal has elapsed. These papers should show what amount, if any, has been realised by fines and sales of confiscated property in the case.

(6) On receipt of the recommendation rolls the amount sanctioned by the Conservator of Forests will be drawn on abstract contingent bills and forwarded to the officer -- concerned.

Payments of rewards must be made personally by the Deputy Commissioners, Deputy Conservator of Forests or the Districts Forest Officers, as the case may be, and acknowledgments obtained from the payees and forwarded to the office of the Conservator of Forests.

(7) No delay should be permitted in the disbursement of rewards.

(8) Rewards in special cases may, with the previous sanction of Government, be made in any other form than a grant of money.

" By order "

Secretary to Government,
General Department.

To

The Compiler, Mysore Gazette for Publication in Part III of the Gazette in English and in Kannada and for supplying to this office 200 spare copies in English and 100 in Kannada.

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NOTIFICATION.

No. J. 3400—Legis. 12-07-25, dated 16th March 1917.

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Provided always that the aggregate amount of the rewards thus granted in any one case, shall not exceed rupees fifty.

(2) In any case in which any person or persons may have been convicted of an offence against the Game Laws but in which no penalty or confiscation may have been imposed or realised or in which any person has performed any service of special merit in respect of the prevention or detection of any offence against the Game Laws, rewards may be granted to an aggregate amount of Rs. 25 (twenty-five.)

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Payments of rewards must be made personally by the Deputy Commissioners, Deputy Conservator of Forests or the District Forest Officers, as the case may be, and acknowledgments obtained from the payees and forwarded to the office of the Conservator of Forests.

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By Order,
D. M. Narasinga Rao,
Secretary to Government,
General Department.

Proceedings of the Government
of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read :-

Letter No. 3670 dated 23rd October 1907 from the Conservator of Forests in Mysore forwarding for the orders of Government certain proposals made by the Officer in charge of Game Preserves for the amendment of the Game Rules together with his remarks thereon.

2. Letter dated 10th April 1909 from Mr. R.W. Hanson, Superintendent of Post Offices, Shimoga Division, forwarding certain proposals for amending the Game Laws.

3. Letters from the Conservator of Forests in Mysore, the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore and the District Magistrates forwarding their opinion in the matter.

Order No. J 3405-15 Legs 12-07-26
Dated Bangalore 17/3/17

After careful consideration of all the opinions, Government consider it is desirable to amend the Rules issued under the Game and Fish Preservation Regulation, 1901, so as to provide for the following viz :-

(1) to prohibit absolutely for a period

of five years the killing or capture of antelope in the Mysore, Bangalore, Kadur and Hassan Districts and to restrict the shooting thereof to only one mature antelope with horns not less than fifteen inches long in a year by each license holder in other Districts.

(2) to prohibit absolutely the killing of mature male sambhar or spotted deer, if it is hornless or its horns are in velvet ;

(3) to exempt certain class of officers from the necessity of taking out licenses for shooting while travelling on Government duty ;

(4) to restrict the aggregate number of bison, chital, sambhar and barking deer or muntjac that can be allowed to be killed by any one person holding a license, to two, four, two and two, respectively, in any one calendar year and to provide for every license-holder giving the local Forest Officer notice of his intention to shoot in a State Forest;

(5) to prohibit the license holder from sitting over water holes and salt licks and shoot game;

(6) to restrict camping by the license holder to regular camping grounds or places specially pointed out to him by a Forest Officer ;

(7) to empower the Game Supervisors and Game watchers also to arrest any person committing a breach of the Game Laws and

(8) to provide for the delivering

up a license by the license holder after the period covered by the license expires.

2. Government also deem it desirable to allow rewards being given to informers or other persons who may render service to Government by detecting or preventing breaches of Game Laws and to issue rules on the lines of the rules for the grant of rewards in Excise cases.

3. The accompanying Notifications containing the necessary amendments and rules referred to in paras 1 and 2 above will be published in the official Gazette.

4. Government desire to impress on all Forest Officers the importance of their using every personal effort to put a stop to the wanton destruction of game which has been going on almost unchecked for years past.

Secretary to Government,
General Department.

To

The Conservator of Forests in Mysore.
The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The District Magistrates of Districts
The Comptroller, Mysore Government.

(Here print the accompanying two notifications).

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Rule 11. In the second paragraph of rule 11, the words "Game Supervisors and game watchers" shall be inserted after the words "Forest Guards"

Rule 12. At the end of Rule 12 the following words shall be added:-
"and to deliver up the license at the end of the calendar year for which the license is granted, to the authority empowered to grant the license or to the nearest forest or police officer of or above the rank of a Forest Ranger or a Police Inspector as the case may be"

By order,

Secretary to Government,
General Department.

To

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NOTIFICATION.

No. J. 3399—Legis. 12-07-24, dated 16th March 1917.

In exercise of the powers conferred by the Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Regulation, 1901, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to direct that the Rules published with Notification 9007—Legis. 56, dated 11th December 1901, as amended from time to time be further amended as follows :—

Rule 3.—"3 (1) The killing or capture of birds with bright colored plumage and of pea-fowl is prohibited for a further period ending with the 30th June 1917.

The killing or capture of antelope is prohibited for a period of five years absolutely in the Districts of Mysore, Bangalore, Kadur and Hassan and subject to the provision in paragraph 2 of the rule in the other districts.

(2) The District Magistrate may, on the application of a game license under these rules grant written permission to such holder to shoot within the year for which the license was granted only one mature antelope with horns not less than 15 inches long. A report of the antelope shot shall be furnished to the District Magistrate by the license-holder without unreasonable delay."

Rule 6.—The following shall be inserted as clause (*d*) to this rule the present clause (*d*) being changed to clause (*e*) *viz.*—

"(*d*) Any mature male sambhar or spotted deer, if it is hornless or its horns are in velvet."

Rule 9.—The following shall be inserted as an exception to this rule.

"*Exception.*—The following classes of officers when travelling on Government duty in their respective jurisdiction are exempted from taking out a license and may stalk or track game in any forest open for shooting, obtaining a permit from the Conservator of Forests in Mysore or from any officer authorised by him in this behalf. They should not beat or drive and shall observe the close seasons and other restrictions under the Rules.

(1) All Heads of Departments;
(2) All Deputy Commissioners and District Magistrates of Districts;
(3) Gazetted Forest Officers; and
(4) Gazetted Police Officers."

New Rules 10 C, 10 D and 10 E.

After Rule 10 B the following shall be inserted as Rules 10 C, 10 D and 10 E.

"10 C (*a*) The aggregate of game of the following species allowed to be killed by any one person holding a license under these rules during the calendar year for which the license is granted shall not exceed—

(1) two bison,
(2) four chital,
(3) two sambhar, and
(4) two barking deer or munt jac.

These restrictions shall be in force for a period of five years from the date of this notification.

(*b*) License holders shall not enter any forest without previously giving notice to the local forest official of their intention to shoot therein.

Note.—A bison, chital, sambhar, or barking deer once wounded counts towards the above limit whether brought to bag or not.

10. D. The holder of the license granted either under Game Rules or Arms Regulation for the protection of crop and self-defence, shall not sit up over water or over salt-licks for the purpose of shooting any animal other than carnivora.

10. E. The holder of a license shall camp only on such regular camping grounds in the forest as may have been set apart by forest authorities or in places specially pointed out to him by a forest officer.

Rule 11.—In the second paragraph of Rule 11, the words "Game Supervisors and Game Watchers," shall be inserted after the words "Forest Guards."

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"and to deliver up the license at the end of the calendar year for which the license is granted, to the authority empowered to grant the license or to the nearest Forest or Police Officer of or above the rank of a Forest Ranger or a Police Inspector as the case may be."

By Order,
D. M. NARASINGA RAO,
Secretary to Government,
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